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KIM IL-SONG: LET THE WORKING CLASS BE THE CORE UNIT IN THE STRUGGLE TO CONVERT THE WHOLE SOCIETY TO THE CHUCHE IDEOLOGY

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[Speech given at the Sixth Congress of the General Federation of Trade Unions in Korea on 30 November 1981]

[Text] Comrades!

Today the Sixth Congress of the General Federation of Trade Unions in Korea is successfully conducting its business amid the great expectation and interest of the entire working class and working masses of our country. The whole party and the entire people warmly congratulate this congress, wishing it success sincerely.

The Sixth Congress of the GFTU constitutes an event of historic significance in the struggle to step up the country's socialist construction and convert the whole society to the chuche ideology. The congress will be widely demonstrating before the whole world the united might and lofty revolutionary spirit of the Korean working class solidly united around our party and will be energetically calling the entire working class and working masses to the struggle for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology.

I warmly congratulate the Sixth Congress of the GFTU, considering it very satisfactory that the business of the congress is being successfully conducted with the high political fervor and positive participation of you comrade delegates.

Under the correct leadership of our party the trade unions in the past period have gloriously carried out their lofty mission and heavy duties before the party and the revolution. The trade unions are reliable organizations of our party's indoctrinating the masses and as such, have thoroughly united union members around the party, revolutionarily indoctrinating them, and have energetically organized and mobilized them in carrying out the revolutionary tasks set forth by the party.

As a result of the struggle energetically launched among the working masses for their revolutionization, working classization, a great change has occurred in the

ideomental features of the working class and trade union members. The entire working class and trade union members are holding our party's revolutionary thought, the chuche ideology, as a firm revolutionary creed, and are struggling for the attainment of the chuche revolutionary cause, giving their all with high loyalty to the party engraved in their hearts. Today among our working class is overflowing the ethos of holding the interests of society and collective dearer than personal interests and revolutionarily working and living as befits the working class of a country fighting revolution in the era of struggle.

The trade unions, holding aloft the signal fire of the chollima movement ignited by the working class of Kangson, have energetically launched the chollima movement among the working masses in the past period and made great contributions to the country's socialist construction. Our working class, dynamically moving forward in the spirit of the speed battle joined to the chollima with high loyalty to the party and the revolution, has brought about a ceaseless upsurge in all areas of revolution and construction. By the devoted labor struggle of our heroic working class miracles and innovations have been brought about and creations for the ages have been erected everywhere in the fatherland and the might of the country has been further strengthened.

I highly evaluate the great achievements compiled in the past period by our working class and trade union members before the fatherland and the people, and express warm thanks to the entire working class and trade union members who have added luster to the militant might of the Korean working class and the glory of chuche Korea, further consolidating and developing our country's socialist system with their devoted struggle and creative labor.

Comrades,

Today our country's socialist construction is developing at a very fast pace and our revolution is entering a new developmental stage.

The Sixth Congress of the Korean Workers Party set forth a grand program for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology.

To convert the whole society to the chuche ideology is the overall duty of our revolution and a historic cause the working class must attain to the end, assuming responsibility therefor. The working class can accomplish its historic mission only if, converting the whole society to the chuche ideology, it liberates all working people from domination and enslavement in all forms and completely realizes the independent stand and attitude of the masses of working people.

The working class is the leading class of the revolution, and the core unit of our revolution shouldering the cause for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology. Apart from the leading role and nuclear activity of the working class it is impossible to move our revolution forward nor is it possible to attain the historic cause for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology.

The working class, deeply aware of its historic mission, must go forward to stoutly fight to attain the cause for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology.

In order to convert the whole society to the chuche ideology, it is imperative to energetically launch the three revolutions--ideological, technological, and cultural. Only by energetically launching the three revolutions is it possible to successfully occupy the ideological fortress and material fortress of communism, turning all members of society into chuche-oriented communist social beings and remaking all aspects of social life in the image of the working class.

It is the basic task of trade unions to energetically launch the three revolutions. The trade unions, by energetically launching the ideological revolution, technological revolution, and cultural revolution with the banner of three revolutions held high, must bring about a ceaseless upsurge in all areas of socialist construction.

The trade unions, strengthening the ideological revolution, must thoroughly revolutionize the working class and trade union members.

The basics of the ideological revolution are thoroughly arming the working people with our party's revolutionary thought, the chuche ideology.

Our party's chuche ideology is an invincible revolutionary thought which was founded amid the struggle to realize the independent stand and attitude of the masses of working people and its correctness has been proved positively, and the guiding principle which must be strictly adhered to in the struggle to convert the whole society to the chuche ideology. The working class, always holding the chuche ideology as the unitary guiding thought in the revolutionary struggle and construction tasks, must think and act in accordance with the demands of the chuche ideology.

The working class, strengthening its study of the chuche ideology, its study of the policies of the party, its study of the revolutionary tradition, must thoroughly arm itself with the chuche revolutionary view, and defending the purity of the chuche ideology, must devotedly struggle for the comprehensive victory of the chuche ideology. The working class and trade union members must firmly maintain an independent stand and creative stand with an attitude befitting the master of the revolution, and highly displaying the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance, must responsibly discharge their assigned revolutionary duties.

The working class must thoroughly arm itself with a high class consciousness and revolutionary consciousness.

Today the realities wherein change of generations has taken place in the working class ranks and the younger generation with no experience in trials of the revolution forms the main force of the working class ranks call for more energetically launching the work aimed at heightening the class consciousness and revolutionary consciousness among the working class. Without ceaselessly heightening the class consciousness and revolutionary consciousness of the working class it is impossible not only to continue to move the revolution forward but to defend the already won gains of the revolution either.

The working class, deeply aware of its class mission and duty, must infinitely hate the exploiting class and exploiting system and resolutely observe its class stand and revolutionary principle in any environment, however difficult and complex.

Today the revolutionary situation is very complex, and the destruction and sabotage machinations of the imperialists and class enemies are intensifying day by day. The working class and trade union members, further heightening their revolutionary vigilance, must resolutely struggle against the ideocultural infiltration and destruction and sabotage machinations of the imperialists, and always maintaining an intense, dynamic posture, must militantly work and live.

The working class and trade union members must love labor and participate in labor faithfully.

Loving labor is one of the most important parts of the character of a communist. Only he who faithfully works for the sake of society and collective and revolutionarily tempers himself through labor, can become a genuine communist. The working class and trade union members, considering labor rewarding and glorious, must faithfully participate in labor, and consciously observing the labor discipline and energetically working, must carry out without defection all the production quotas assigned them.

Communal properties of the state and society are precious wealth achieved by the blood and sweat of the masses of working people and priceless resources for the prosperity of the fatherland and the happiness of the people. The working class and trade union members, with a heightened awareness that they are the masters running the nation's economy, must assiduously manage their machine, they shop, their factory, and preserve and love all national properties, large and small, to the utmost. Again, they must positively struggle against the phenomenon of haphazardly looking after and wasting the communal properties of the state and society.

It is the intrinsic demand of the socialist, communist society that all members of society work, study, and live all together, helping each other and leading each other on in accordance with the communistic collectivist principle of "one for all, all for one." The working class and trade union members, uprooting the ideas of individualism, egoism, inherited from the old society, must possess the communist character of loving and holding organization and collective dear and struggling, giving their all, for the sake of the interests of the society and the people, the interests of the party and the revolution.

The trade unions must energetically call the working class and trade union members to the prosecution of the technological revolution.

Only by energetically pushing ahead with the technological revolution is it possible to even better insure an independent and creative life for the working people who have been liberated from exploitation and oppression, and successfully attain the cause for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology. To energetically push ahead with the technological revolution is an important guarantee for realizing the chucheization, modernization, and scientization of the people's economy and occupying the 10 major prospective targets of socialist economic construction ahead of schedule.

The technological revolution is a task for the sake of the producer masses, a task of the producer masses themselves. Our workers, technicians, and trade union members, with a heightened awareness that they are in direct charge of the

technological revolution, must energetically launch the technological innovation movement and the creative design movement. The workers, technicians, and trade union members, by further improving existing mechanical facilities in terms of technology and inventing and manufacturing even more new modern mechanical facilities, with all their wisdom and talents displayed to the hilt, must continue to raise the technical provision standards of the people's economy and energetically step up the mechanization, automation, remote control of production, positively adopting the advances of modern science and technology.

It is important to strengthen the creative cooperation of the workers, scientists and technicians in carrying out the technological revolution. Only by correctly combining the abundant experiences of the broad producer masses with the knowledge of science and technology held by the scientists and technicians is it possible to score an admirable success in the development of technology. The workers, scientists and technicians, highly displaying the spirit of comradely cooperation, must learn from each other and teach each other, and joining their strength and wisdom, must bring about collective technological innovations in all branches of the people's economy.

The workers, scientists and technicians must positively struggle against technological mysticism, conservatism, and empiricism standing in the way of technological development, and must think boldly and practice daringly in remaking technology. In this way smashing the old technical standards and nominal capacities in all branches of the people's economy, they must ceaselessly establish new standards, new records.

The trade unions must energetically launch the cultural revolution among the working class and trade union members.

The cultural revolution is one of the basic revolutionary tasks the working class and trade union organizations must carry out. Only by conducting the cultural revolution is it possible to do away with the cultural backwardness left behind by the old society and turn the working people into fully developed communist social beings.

Today an important task of the cultural revolution is by far improving the technical and cultural standards of the working people. The present era is an age of science and technology, and all processes of modern production are none other than technical process. Without knowing modern science and technology it is impossible to quickly develop production nor is it possible to energetically push ahead with the technological revolution.

The working class and trade union members, putting study upfront as the first and foremost revolutionary duty, must steadfastly study wherever, whenever, and strengthening the task of disseminating scientific and technological knowledge and the task of instructing skills, must further improve the technical skill standards and familiarize themselves with the specialized knowledge and technology of their branches. The working class and trade union members, by loyally upholding the guidelines of the party for intellectualizing the whole society and by earnestly studying, enrolled in the education system for studying while working such as factory colleges, must strive to acquire in the near future general knowledge and modern scientific and technological knowledge on the level of a higher technical school or college graduate.

All branches must thoroughly establish tidiness in production and tidiness in life. The working class and trade union members must positively strive to meticulously organize the production environment of factories, thoroughly establish a system and order for production, and improve the quality and cultured nature of products. They must organize in terms of culture and hygiene and commendably manage the streets and neighborhoods, dwellings and cultural facilities, and wholesomely live, well grounded in culture with noble moral character, giving up backward life customs.

If the working class is to successfully carry out its historic mission, it must strengthen worker-peasant alliance and thoroughly working classize the peasantry.

The peasantry is a reliable ally of the working class and one of the basic units of our revolution. Only if the guidance and assistance of the working class is strengthened for the peasantry and the whole society is working classized with the peasantry remolded in the image of the working class, is it possible to win the complete victory of socialism.

The working class must thoroughly arm the peasants with the revolutionary thought of the working class, and widely disseminating the advanced culture of the working class in the rural areas, must quickly raise the technical and cultural standards of the peasants. Again, the working class, strengthening material and technical support for the rural areas, must industrialize agriculture at the earliest possible date and liberate the peasants from backbreaking labor. Thus doing away with the ideological, technological, and cultural backwardness of the rural areas and all of class distinctions, it must build a classless society, a completely victorious socialist society.

The GFTU is a reliable helper of our party's politicoideologically protecting and defending our party and struggling to carry through the revolutionary line of our party.

It is the supreme principle of the trade union activity to be infinitely faithful to our party and go forward to loyally uphold the thought and leadership of the party.

The trade unions, firmly setting up the unitary ideology system of the party within their unions, must go forward to loyally uphold the leadership of the party and thoroughly establish the work system and revolutionary ethos of carrying through the line and guidelines of the party unconditionally to the end.

The trade unions must strive to unite the broad masses of working people of all strata airtight around the party, thoroughly arming them politicoideologically, and make them follow the party to the end, whatever the storm, whatever the trial, resolutely protecting and defending the party.

Trade union organizations must strengthen guidance for the organizational life of union members. Only through organizational life is it possible to keep adding luster to the political life of union members. Trade union organizations must strive to standardize organizational life, properly setting up a guidance system for the organizational life of union members, and make all union members go forward to revolutionarily temper themselves, faithfully participating in organizational life with a high organizational fervor.

It is an important duty of trade unions to energetically launch the mass movement under the leadership of the party. Trade union organizations must strive to indoctrinate and remold union members the communist way, making them widely participate in the mass movement in various forms, and energetically organize and mobilize them in the fulfillment of politicoeconomic tasks set forth by the party.

The movement to capture the red flag of three revolutions is an energetic mass movement to remold people the communist way and positively step up socialist economic construction, energetically launching the ideological, technological, and cultural revolutions. Trade union organizations must strive to make the working class and trade union members play a nuclear role in the prosecution of the three revolutions, positively participating in the movement to win the red flag of three revolutions with the militant slogan of "ideology, technology, and culture--all in accordance with the demands of chuche!" held high.

It is the important policy our party puts up front in the present period to energetically launch the movement to learn from the examples of unsung heroes. Trade union organizations, substantially launching the movement to learn from the examples of unsung heroes, must make union members devotedly struggle for the sake of the fatherland and the people with high loyalty to the party and the revolution in the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and fortitude.

Trade union organizations, by energetically launching the socialist emulation movement and various kinds of the good deed movement, must strive to make the working class and trade union members work always with high revolutionary fervor and give an even bigger plus to running the nation's economy.

Trade union organizations must make the working class and trade union members, masters of the socialist economy, positively participate in enterprise management, and dynamically inspire them to the great socialist construction struggle. In this manner they must strive to make all branches of the people's economy more thoroughly carry through the Tae'an work system and bring about a new revolutionary upswing on all fronts of socialist construction.

To reunify the divided fatherland is the supreme national desire long cherished by the entire Korean people and the most important revolutionary task facing the working class and working masses of our country today.

On account of the occupation of south Korea by the U.S. imperialists and the plot of splittists to create "two Koreas" our country has remained divided for 36 long years, and with each passing day the danger of a permanent division of the nation grows bigger. By reunifying the divided fatherland at the earliest possible date we must prevent the permanent division of the nation and achieve the unified development of the country.

The entire Korean working class and people of all strata, loyally upholding the new fatherland reunification proposal set forth at the sixth congress of our party, must launch in unison into the sacred struggle to reunify the fatherland by founding the Democratic Federal Republic of Koryo.

The basic obstacle to realizing the reunification of the fatherland is the occupation of south Korea by the U.S. imperialists and their plot to create

"two Koreas." The Korean working class and people of all strata must one and all positively struggle to drive the U.S. imperialist aggressive armed forces out of south Korea, realize national liberation on a nationwide basis, and crush the plot of the U.S. imperialists to create "two Koreas."

In order to achieve the independent peaceful reunification of the fatherland, it is imperative to liquidate the military fascist rule in south Korea and realize democratization of the society. The south Korean working class must courageously launch into the struggle to liquidate the military fascist ruling system in south Korea and realize democratization of the society, and shall lead the just patriotic struggle of the broad masses of people at the forefront of the antifascist democratization struggle.

To support and encourage the just patriotic struggle of the south Korean working class and people is the lofty national duty of our working class and people. The working class of the northern half of the republic must never forget for a moment the working class and patriotic people of the southern half indomitably fighting, shedding blood, for the sake of democracy and reunification of the fatherland even under such formidable conditions that military fascist dictatorship bullies around, and must positively support and encourage their just struggle, exerting all strength to the utmost.

Fatherland reunification is a common national cause, a cause that can be attained only by the united strength of the entire nation. All Koreans in the North and South and overseas, transcending the distinctions of ideology and system, party affiliation and political belief, must form a great united national front and struggle, firmly united as one under the banner of fatherland reunification.

The revolutionary cause of the working class is an international cause, and the Korean revolution is a part of the world revolution. To strengthen the international revolutionary forces and consolidate solidarity with them is an important guarantee for hastening the victory of the Korean revolution and victoriously developing the world revolution.

Our working class and trade unions must positively struggle to solidly unite with the working class of all countries of the world struggling for peace and democracy, national independence and socialism, and strengthen solidarity with the international revolutionary forces.

The Korean working class and trade unions must resolutely struggle to block and frustrate the machinations of the imperialists for aggression and war and defend the peace and security of the world, and in this struggle, strengthen solidarity and cooperation with the international revolutionary forces such as the working class of the whole world.

Our working class and trade unions must positively support and encourage the sacred cause of the people of newly emerging countries struggling under the banner of anti-imperialist sovereignty to build a prosperous new society, and must go on to ceaselessly develop comradely cooperation and solidarity with the working class of socialist countries struggling to oppose imperialism and build socialism, communism.

The Korean working class and trade unions must strengthen solidarity with the working class of capitalist countries fighting for their right to living and democratic freedom, opposing exploitation and oppression by capital, and must positively support and encourage the struggle of the people of all countries fighting to win national independence and national sovereign rights.

It has very important significance in developing the international labor movement and strengthening the international revolutionary forces that the trade union organizations and labor union organizations of various countries of the world go forward to develop relations of friendship and cooperation. The General Federation of Trade Unions in Korea, by briskly conducting mutual visits and exchanges with the trade union and labor union organizations of various countries of the world and international organizations of the working class and by strengthening friendship ties, shall positively contribute to the development of the international labor movement and the world revolution and further strengthen the international support and solidarity for our revolution.

Comrades,

Today our party and people are faced with the historic task to energetically step up revolution and construction and achieve the complete victory of socialism and fatherland reunification at the earliest possible date and attain the chuche revolutionary cause to the end.

Our revolutionary cause is just, and it is the glorious mission of the working class to devotedly struggle for the victory of the chuche revolutionary cause. Great indeed is the hope of our party and our people entertained of the working class in attaining the chuche revolutionary cause. The working class and trade union members must dynamically struggle, devoting all their energy, to attain the chuche revolutionary cause and must race forward even faster, kicking aside all kinds of barriers.

Always victorious shall be our working class which dynamically fights on under the precise leadership of our party, firmly believing in the justness of its cause.

I expect that our heroic working class and trade union members, solidly united around the Party Central Committee with the revolutionary banner of the chuche ideology held high, will go forward to even more dynamically fight for the ultimate victory of the chuche revolutionary cause.

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THE TAEAN WORK SYSTEM IS A CHUCHE COMMUNIST FORM OF ENTERPRISE MANAGEMENT

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[Text] Some 20 years have passed since the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song created the great Taeon work system which is an our-style communist form of enterprise management.

The comprehensive establishment of the Taeon work system was a great revolution that brought about a basic change in socialist economic construction, and a historic event of enormous significance in stepping up socialist, communist economic construction. With the establishment of the Taeon work system we were able to successfully manage and operate the modern large-scale economy to suit the intrinsic nature of the socialist system and energetically push forward the overall socialist construction of the country, bringing about a ceaseless upsurge in production.

Today when socialist construction is deepening and developing onto a new higher stage, it is a glorious and rewarding task to more thoroughly carry through the Taeon work system for successfully occupying the grand economic construction targets facing us.

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The working class which had come to power had positively struggled over a long period to correctly solve the question of economic management. It had significantly to do with the fact that this question exerted great influence on stepping up the development of national productive forces and consolidating socialist production relations.

To solve the question of economic management arose as an even more urgent demand especially in the post-establishment period of the socialist system. Experience showed that after the completion of the socialist remaking of production relations, unless the guidance and management of the people's economy was improved in a manner consistent with the remaking it was possible neither to highly promote the superiority of the established socialist system nor to prevent the resurrection of capitalism in the sphere of economic management nor to energetically push socialist construction forward.

The question of economic management thus significantly arising in socialist, communist construction was brilliantly solved with the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song creating the Taeon work system.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, with his deep insights into the demands of the law of socialist, communist construction and the concrete realities of our developing revolution, established the great Tae'an work system, a new our-style form of economic management, in December 1961, while giving his personal on-the-spot guidance to the Tae'an Electrical Factory. The creation of the Tae'an work system--this was a historic event that illuminated the genuine road of socialist economic management for the working class in power, and a great discovery of a communist form of enterprise management based on the chuche ideology.

The Tae'an work system thoroughly embodies the immortal chuche ideology and the revolutionary mass line of our party. Precisely herein lies the basic characteristic of the Tae'an work system distinct from other forms of economic management.

The immortal chuche ideology stands on a new philosophical principle that man is the master of everything and resolves everything. The chuche ideology calls for thinking out everything with man placed at the center and gearing everything to serving man.

The Tae'an work system precisely embodies such principle and demand of the chuche ideology.

The Tae'an work system makes the producer masses comprehensively participate in all economic tasks beginning with the formulation of measures to carry through the economy policy of the party, and goes forward to solve economic management questions, relying on their revolutionary fervor and creative positiveness. The Tae'an work system also most admirably solves the question of resolving all tasks such as production preparations and the daily necessities supply work for working people, to thoroughly suit the interests and demands of the producer masses. This shows that the Tae'an work system is an economic management system based on the chuche ideology from start to finish.

The Tae'an work system which is based on the immortal chuche ideology brilliantly embodies the revolutionary mass line of our party.

That it embodies the mass line constitutes the intrinsic revolutionary nature of the Tae'an work system.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"The intrinsic nature of the Tae'an system lies by no means in new management apparatuses such as a planning staff department or a business department. The basic spirit of the Tae'an system lies in that the cadres and workers become one and that the cadres, instead of issuing directives and orders from their desks, go down to the base level and work together with the producers and personally help them. In a word, what is called the Tae'an system has embodied the mass line in economic management." ("Kim Il-song Selected Works," Vol 4, 2d impression, p 168)

The intrinsic nature of an economic management system is determined not by the composition of management departments or management apparatus such as organization of offices but by the basic spirit running through the economic management system.

The basic spirit running through the Taeen work system lies in that the cadres and workers become one and that the cadres, going down to the base level, personally help the producers. This basic spirit running through the Taeen system bespeaks that the Taeen work system precisely holds it as its intrinsic nature to carry through the revolutionary mass line of our party in economic management.

The Taeen work system also makes it possible to comprehensively carry through the demands for embodying the mass line in economic management.

The Taeen work system provides that all management activities be conducted under the collective guidance of the relevant party committee and economic tasks at hand be carried out with priority to political work, work with people. The collective guidance of the relevant party committee makes it possible to thoroughly embody the revolutionary demands of the working class and synthesize the inexhaustible creative wisdom of the producer masses into collective wisdom. At the same time, giving priority to political work raises the politicoideological consciousness level of the working people and makes them highly display their sense of responsibility and initiative in production and management. Accordingly, when managing and operating the economy by the Taeen work system it becomes possible to thoroughly carry through the revolutionary mass line of our party and energetically step up economic construction, setting the producer masses in motion.

The Taeen work system embodying the immortal chuche ideology and the revolutionary masse line is a new our-style communist form of enterprise management.

The Taeen work system constitutes a unique form of enterprise management personifying in large measure the communist principle in economic management.

The great Taeen work system above all thoroughly personifies the collectivist life principle of "one for all, all for one."

The collectivist principle of "one for all, all for one" is a life principle reflecting the mutual relationship of people in the communist society.

The Taeen work system provides, thoroughly carrying through the revolutionary mass line of our party, that the superiors help the subordinates, people who know teach people who do not know, and the producers learn from each other and help each other in a comradely manner. What is more, it is also provided for collectives such as work teams, shops, and factories to closely cooperate with one another. This bespeaks well that the Taeen work system is a form of economic management which thoroughly personifies the communistic collectivist life principle.

The Taeen work system also personifies the communist principle for managing and operating the economy relying on the high revolutionary fervor of the producer masses.

When they are into the communist society, all working people will be consciously participating in labor, regarding labor as the first and foremost demand of life and highly displaying revolutionary fervor.

The question of enhancing the revolutionary fervor of the working people and making them consciously participate in labor is being solved brilliantly by the Taeen

work system. The Tae'an work system, giving priority to political work, makes all producers consciously participate in labor with an awareness that they are the masters of production and management, and highly enhancing their revolutionary fervor, makes questions arising in economic management solved positively.

Thus the Tae'an work system, because it personifies in large measure the communist economic management principle, constitutes a unique form of enterprise management illuminating the straight road of socialist economic management and a genuine prototype of economic management which will be displaying its invincible vitality even when it is into the communist society.

Truly, it constitutes a high glory of our people and a pride which will be handed down for centuries to come that with the successful solution to the question of socialist economic management for which they had been anxiously waiting for a long time, they have come to have the chuche communist system of economic management energetically inspiring socialist, communist construction.

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The great Tae'an work system is energetically demonstrating its superiority and invincible vitality in socialist construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"The Tae'an work system is an admirable economic management system in line with the intrinsic nature of the socialist system, which makes factories and enterprises conduct all management activities under the collective guidance of their party committees; which carries out the economic tasks at hand, giving priority to political work and setting the producer masses in motion; which makes the superiors responsibly help the subordinates; which scientifically, rationally manages and operates the economy." ("Kim Il-song Selected Works," Vol 5, 2d impression, p 441)

The past 20 years from the creation of the Tae'an work system to the present have been a brilliant journey in which great victory has been scored in socialist construction with the economy managed and operated our style. Precisely in this process the Tae'an work system has graphically shown its superiority and energetically proved its invincible vitality.

The superiority and invincible vitality of the Tae'an work system lie above all in that it has made it possible to thoroughly realize the leadership of the party for socialist economic construction.

The leadership of the party of the working class is the decisive guarantee for the successful prosecution of socialist economic construction. It is by the party of the working class that all lines and policies regarding socialist economic construction are formulated and the struggle for the realization is organized and conducted. Therefore, only if the leadership of the party is strengthened, is it possible to energetically push socialist economic construction forward and brilliantly realize the task of liberating the masses of working people from the constraints of nature once and for all and provide them with a more independent, creative, happy material and cultural life.

The Taaan work system, precisely by making economic guidance organs, factories and enterprises conduct all tasks under the collective guidance of their party committees, is most thoroughly realizing the leadership of the party for economic construction.

The Taaan work system provides for priority efforts to be put into thoroughly organizing party committees drawing committee members from party functionaries, administrative economic functionaries, and technicians in a proper ratio and in particular, positively bringing in nuclear workers working in the most important segments of factories and enterprises. Party committees which are organized in this manner, set through collective discussion a precise direction and method of carrying through the economic policy of the party, concretely organize assignments and sum up the progress in the execution, and plan and coordinate rearrangement work.

The Taaan work system also provides that party committees establish an orderly system for political work, work with people, and energetically launching organizational political work among working people, highly inspire their revolutionary fervor and creative initiative. Such energetic political work further enhances the leadership role of the party in socialist economic construction and positively encourages and inspires the working people to the prosecution of economic tasks.

All this shows that the Taaan work system is indeed a superior form of economic management which makes it possible to most thoroughly realize partywide guidance for socialist economic construction.

The superiority and invincible vitality of the great Taaan work system also lie in that it makes it possible to go forward to scientifically, rationally conduct enterprise management, thoroughly realizing the democratic centralization system in socialist economic construction.

The socialist economy is a highly organized, planned large-scale economy. Therefore, in order to successfully manage and operate the socialist economy, it is imperative to maximally promote the sense of responsibility and initiative of local districts and producers based on strengthening the centralized guidance of the state. Put another way, it is imperative to thoroughly realize the democratic centralization system.

The Taaan work system thoroughly insures the unitary nature of the people's economic plan with planning work conducted under the centralized guidance of the state, and carrying through the guidelines for detailed planning, concretely meshes the production linkages between factories, enterprises to the last detail. Again, at the factories and enterprises, as the functionaries who are charged with directly guiding production go in among the producers and formulate plans after holding discussions with them, the policy-oriented demands of the party are driven home to the base level and the creative opinions of the masses are precisely reflected to the superiors. Thus it makes it possible to thoroughly insure the democratic centralization system for economic management as a whole, beginning with the formulation of plans, and go forward to successfully manage and operate the large-scale socialist economy in a manner consistent with its intrinsic nature.

The Taaan work system is also proving its great worth in scientizing, rationalizing enterprise management.

What constitutes an important part of the content of the Tae'an work system is that it is a unified, intensive production guidance system and a materials supply system for the superiors to deliver the materials to the base level. The unified, intensive production guidance system, by making the factory planning staff with the chief engineer as the chief of staff subordinate everything to insuring production with a unified grip on planning work, production guidance work, and technical guidance work, admirably insures technical guidance and overall guidance for production. At the same time, the materials supply system for the superiors to deliver the materials to the base level, by making a higher-level organ responsibly deliver all the actual materials necessary for production, enables the producers to concentrate all their strength on production and the functionaries to actively conduct production organization and command at enterprises. Such epochal measures for production guidance and work of insuring the necessary conditions provide the unitary condition capable of further scientizing, rationalizing enterprise management and firmly guarantee, in material and technical terms, to bring about a ceaseless upsurge in production.

The superiority and vitality of the great Tae'an work system are energetically demonstrated particularly in that a basic change is occurring in people's ideomental features and work habit and a ceaseless upsurge is being generated in socialist economic construction.

As a result of the comprehensive establishment of the great Tae'an work system which puts the masses of working people up front as the masters of enterprise management and highly promotes their revolutionary fervor and initiative, the dregs of all kinds of outdated ideas such as individualism, egoism are being successfully overcome among our functionaries and working people, and the collectivist, communist life ethos is blossoming in full bloom. Today all of our working people regard it as a lofty revolutionary duty to consciously work with total devotion of their strength and wisdom for the sake of the party and the leader, for the sake of the fatherland and the people, and precisely here they are feeling the genuine pride and reward as people fighting revolution.

With such basic change occurring in the ideomental features of the working people and with economic management becoming tighter, a great leap forward has happened in our country's socialist economic construction.

As a result of having dynamically moved forward along the straight road of production growth opened up by the Tae'an work system, we were able to carry out the historic task of socialist industrialization in the short period of a mere 14 years, establish great chuche industry in this land, and go forward to more thoroughly consolidate the foundations of a self-reliant national economy. Because of the presence of the Tae'an work system, we have been able to make industrial production grow at the astounding rate of 14.5 percent annually for the past 20 years and bring about a ceaseless upsurge in socialist economic construction, unshaken by the cataclysmic economic crisis sweeping the world. This astounding developmental speed of socialist economic construction constitutes energetic testimony to the sagacious leadership of our party and the might of the Tae'an work system.

Reality graphically shows that the Tae'an work system is indeed the most superior economic management system consistent with the socialist system, and energetically proves that thoroughly carrying through the system is precisely where the genuine road to victoriously moving socialist construction forward is.

Today we are faced with the glorious task to improve economic guidance and enterprise management and energetically step up production and construction, more thoroughly carrying through the Tae'an work system.

In order to successfully carry out this rewarding task, we must go forward to brilliantly embody the industrial guidance system aimed at carrying through the Tae'an work system.

The industrial guidance system provided by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song in the recent period is a powerful weapon clearly illuminating the road to more highly promoting the superiority and invincible vitality of the Tae'an work system to suit the realities wherein socialist construction has deepened and developed.

In order to highly promote the might of the Tae'an work system, carrying through the industrial guidance system provided by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, it is imperative above all to enhance the role of party committees at all levels, especially provincial party committees and factory party committees.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Party committees at all levels, holding collective discussions, must decide on a correct direction and method of carrying out the economic tasks of the party, organize and mobilize party organizations, party members, and the working masses in the struggle to carry through the decisions, and exercise guidance and control all the time so that the decided matters may be precisely executed."
("Kim Il-song Selected Works," Vol 7, p 89)

If the industrial guidance system is to be thoroughly embodied for carrying through the Tae'an work system, it is imperative to enhance the role of provincial party committees in every possible way.

Provincial party committees are directly responsible for overall task within their provinces and are charged with the glorious duty to improve economic management and step up production and construction, guiding provincial economic guidance committees on a partywide basis. Only by enhancing the role of provincial party committees is it possible to firmly underpin on a partywide basis the tasks to carry through the economic policy of the party and fulfill the state plan, and make provincial economic guidance committees, holding a complete grip on the industries within their provinces and strengthening the centralized guidance of the state for factories and enterprises, improve economic guidance and responsibly carry out the economic tasks facing their provinces.

In order to go forward to improve economic management to suit the realistic demands of socialist construction, it is important to enhance the role of factory party committees at the same time.

Factory party committees are the supreme guidance organs for the relevant factories and enterprises, combat units directly conducting production. Therefore, depending on how factory party committees perform their role, the overall task of factories and enterprises comes to be influenced in large measure.

In order to go forward to improve economic management, enhancing the role of party committees at all levels such as provincial party committees and factory party committees, it is imperative to further strengthen collective guidance.

Collective guidance is the basic method of activity of party committees. Only through collective guidance is it possible to energetically push economic tasks forward on a partywide basis, satisfactorily insuring political guidance.

Party committees, holding collective discussions with a tight grip on the overall economic task of the relevant units, must precisely set the direction of work, commendably organize assignments and energetically inspire the broad masses to carry through the economic policy of the party. Thus, straightening out in a timely manner the shortcomings that have surfaced and carrying through the policies of the party to the end, they must go forward to improve economic management and further step up production and construction.

In order to thoroughly carry through the Tsean work system to suit the developing realities, it is also imperative to enhance the role of economic guidance organs and scientifically, rationally plan and coordinate economic guidance and enterprise management.

Today when the economy has grown incomparably in scope and its technical provision standards have risen very high, it is impossible to go forward to commendably conduct economic management unless the role of economic guidance organs is enhanced. Only by enhancing the role of economic guidance organs is it possible to timely solve pending questions, bringing guidance closer to the realities, and scientifically plan and coordinate production organization and command.

One of the important questions arising here is enhancing the role of provincial economic guidance committees.

Provincial economic guidance committees, in a manner consistent with their mission and duty to highly promote the sense of responsibility and initiative of local districts while strengthening the centralized guidance of the state for industrial management, must concretely grasp the production and overall management activity of factories and enterprises and put great efforts into positively seeking out and mobilizing the inner reserves of the people's economy. Provincial economic guidance committees, especially having the questions pending at factories and enterprises solved in a timely manner and amply insuring all the conditions necessary for production, must positively contribute to improving enterprise management and increasing industrial production.

In order to highly promote the superiority of the industrial guidance system for carrying through the Tsean work system, it is important to enhance the sense of responsibility and role of the committees and ministries of the Administration Council along with provincial economic guidance committees.

Committees and ministries of the Administration Council must positively formulate measures to foresightedly develop industry, unfurl a bold operational plan for the chuchization, modernization, and scientization of the people's economy, and aggressively push ahead with the task. In particular, they must thoroughly carry through the guidelines of the party for positively helping the provinces,

responsibly exercise technical guidance for production at factories and enterprises, and commendably conduct the work of meshing cooperative production.

An important method to improve economic management, thoroughly carrying through the Tae'an work system to suit the realistic demands of the deepened and developed socialist construction lies in decisively raising the standards of the guidance functionaries.

Without keeping the standards of the guidance functionaries abreast of the developing realities it is impossible to commendably conduct the economic task, let alone political work and ultimately, it will become impossible to successfully carry out any of the tasks arising in socialist construction.

All guidance functionaries, thoroughly establishing the revolutionary study ethos, must deeply study and master the economic policies of our party and in particular, thoroughly familiarize themselves with the teachings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-sung given to their branches and the guidelines of the party. When doing so they can deeply grasp the policies of the party and seek out the method and ingenious means of carrying through the policies to the end.

The functionaries, also by steadfastly striving to improve their own economic job performance standards and their standards of knowledge of science and technology, must ably manage and operate the modern industry whose material and technical foundations have been solidly consolidated.

The struggle to improve economic management to suit the demands of the great Tae'an work system is a rewarding struggle to display the might of our country's socialist self-reliant national economy to the hilt and successfully carry out the enormous task of socialist economic construction.

All functionaries and working people, by positively struggling to more thoroughly carry through the Tae'an work system, shall positively contribute to bringing about a new upsurge in socialist construction and brilliantly attaining the cause for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology.

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THE COLLECTIVE GUIDANCE OF PARTY COMMITTEES IS A BASIC DEMAND OF THE TAEAN SYSTEM

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[Text] The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, personally visiting our factory 20 years ago, had a new communist form of enterprise management established, the Taeon work system.

In the period from the creation of the Taeon work system to the present enterprise management has been basically improved at our factory and a revolutionary work habit and way of life thoroughly established within the collective, the material and technical foundations of the factory further strengthened and great strides made in production. It has been possible for the Taeon work system to demonstrate such great might because above all the system, firmly insuring the collective guidance of the party committee, makes it possible to solve all questions arising in economic work, to suit the policy-oriented demands of the party, and maximally promote the revolutionary fervor of the masses.

Strengthening partywide guidance for economic work is one of the basic questions arising in socialist construction.

Socialist economic construction is a difficult and complex task to liberate even from the constraints of nature the working people already freed from exploitation and oppression and provide them with a more independent, creative labor life and an affluent material and cultural life. In order to successfully carry out such task, it is imperative to establish a correct line and guidelines and energetically organize and mobilize the broad masses in carrying them through.

It is none other than the party of the working class which sets forth the line and guidelines for economic construction and directly organizes and guides the struggle for the realization. Therefore, only by firmly insuring partywide guidance is it possible to prevent in advance all kinds of tilting in economic work, and highly promoting the revolutionary fervor and creative positiveness of the masses, improve socialist economic management and energetically step up production and construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, in establishing the Taeon work system based on his deep insights into the importance of partywide guidance for socialist

economic construction, defined the factory party committee as the supreme guidance organ of the relevant factory, and had the party committee collective guidance system set up.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"... in order to basically improve the work of enterprise management and operation, the factory party committee must become the supreme guidance organ of the relevant factory and see to it that all the work of management and operation of the factory such as production guidance be conducted under the collective leadership of the factory party committee." ("A Collection of Writings of Kim Il-song," Vol 15, p 510)

The collective guidance of factory party committees constitutes the core of the Tae'an work system. Apart from the collective guidance of party committees the Tae'an system is unthinkable nor is it possible to go forward to manage and operate the economy to suit the intrinsic nature of the socialist system.

To say to insure the collective guidance of party committees bespeaks to go forward to dispose of all new and important question arising in economic work by the collective discussion of party committees. Put another way, it means that party committees collectively discuss and decide on the direction and method of carrying through the economic policy of the party, and positively setting the functionaries and the producers in motion, go forward to carry out the economic task.

To realize the collective guidance of party committees constitutes the basic method of energetically stepping up socialist construction, improving the work of factory management and operation.

To realize the collective guidance of party committees, above all by enhancing the combat strength of party organizations and solving all questions arising in economic work, to suit the policy-oriented demands of the party, makes it possible to maintain an uninterrupted high rate of speed of socialist economic construction.

A major objective of realizing the collective guidance of party committees lies in improving enterprise management and positively increasing production by thoroughly carrying through the economic policy of the party.

The economic policy of our party is the unitarily precise guiding principle for successfully pushing socialist economic construction forward. The economic policy of our party comprehensively enunciates the principled demands which must be strictly observed in economic work, beginning with the objective and basic direction of economic construction. Therefore, in order to step up socialist economic construction, it is imperative of necessity to deeply grasp the economic policy of the party and revolutionarily organize and launch all tasks to suit the policy.

What is important here is enhancing the combat strength of party organizations. Only by enhancing the combat strength of party organizations is it possible to drive home the economic policy of the party among the broad masses and go forward to launch all tasks to suit the policy-oriented demands of the party.

The collective guidance of party committees makes it possible to most brilliantly solve this basic question of carrying through the economic policy of the party,

enhancing the combat strength of the party organizations of relevant units in every possible way.

The collective guidance of party committees strengthened, it will be possible to thoroughly arm all functionaries, party members, and working people within the relevant factories and enterprises with the policy of the party, and precisely formulating in a timely manner measures to carry through the economic policy of the party, energetically inspire the masses. Again, it will enable party organizations at the base level to launch work with primary emphasis on carrying through the economic policy of the party and go forward to carry through the guidelines of the party to the end, thoroughly grasping all questions at hand and substantially helping the functionaries and working people.

All this clearly shows that realizing the collective guidance of party committees is where the basic key to enhancing the combat strength of party organizations in every possible way and improving enterprise management by solving all questions arising in economic work to suit the policy-oriented demands of the party and stepping up production and construction, is.

To realize the collective guidance of factory party committees also makes it possible to go forward to ceaselessly improve enterprise management, enhancing the role of the masses of working people who are the masters of production and management.

In the socialist society, an important method to improve economic management lies in enhancing the role of the masses of working people.

The masses of working people are the masters of socialist production and management and are in direct charge of them. In the socialist society, it is the masses of working people who know better than anyone else the reserves and possibilities for the growth of production, and it is also the producer masses who strive positively to seek out and mobilize them. Accordingly, if socialist economic management is to be improved and production quickly increased, it is imperative of necessity to rely on the collective strength and wisdom of the producer masses.

The collective guidance of factory party committees strengthened, it will be possible to thoroughly eliminate the subjectivism and arbitrariness of individuals, and relying on the collective wisdom of the producer masses, discuss and decide on all matters arising in enterprise management and operation. At the same time, establishing an orderly system for political work, work with people, and giving firm priority to political work in all tasks, it will make the party members and working people engrave loyalty to the party and the leader deeply in their hearts and positively launch into the struggle to carry through the line and policies of the party and positively participate in factory management and operation with a heightened awareness as the masters of production and management. When the producers fully perform their responsibility and role in enterprise management, they will come to be able to further rationalize management activity and make production grow at a fast pace, maximally, effectively utilizing the already created economic resources and production potentialities.

To realize the collective guidance of party committees also constitutes an important method to energetically step up production and construction, planning and coordinating economic organizational work to suit the demands of the Tsean work system.

In the socialist society, in order to rationalize economic management and increase production, it is imperative to give firm priority to political work and highly promote the revolutionary fervor and creative positiveness of the masses on the one hand and thoroughly plan and coordinate economic organizational work and production command. Economic organizational work and production command are important tasks to transform the revolutionary fervor of the masses into substantive proeuction achievement.

In order to commendably conduct economic organizational work and production command, it is imperative to correctly understand and utilize the demands of the economic laws operating in the socialist society. Only by correctly understanding the demands of the economic laws and planning and coordinating economic organizational work and production command is it possible to precisely insure the balance of the branches and production units of the people's economy and firmly maintain an uninterrupted high rate of speed of economic development, thoroughly doing away with the phenomenon of waste.

The question of scientizing, rationalizing economic management by planning and coordinating economic organizational work to suit the demands of the law of the socialist economy comes to be successfully solved when the collective guidance of party committees is insured.

The collective guidance of party committees, by making the producer masses positively participate in enterprise management, makes it possible to separate the most essential from the diverse, complex econmic phenomena and comprehensively embody the demands of the economic law in all aspects of economic organizational work. Inasmuch as factory party committees are composed of party functionaries and administrative economic functioaries, nuclear workers and technicians, if collective discussion is strengthened, it will be possible to precisely analyze all questions arising in economic management and scientifically set the direction and method of improving economic organizational work to suit the specific conditions of their factories. This means none other than going forward to scientifically, rationally conduct economic management to suit the demands of the objective economic law.

In the socialist society, those who are in direct charge of conducting economic organizational work and production command are none other than the economic guidance functionaries.

The collective guidance of party committees, by giving clearly defined assignments to the economic guidance functionaries exactly based on having precisely set the direction of commendably conducting economic organizational work and production command and by strengthening control for the prosecution, makes them in their position responsibly conduct economic organizational work and production command.

Thus, to realize the collective guidance of party committees constitutes the most precise method to go forward to improve enterprise management, conducting economic work strictly adhering to the policy of the party and highly promoting the revolutionary fervor of the broad masses of producers, and a firm guarantee for stepping up production, thoroughly planning and coordinating economic organizational work. Precisely herein lies the great significance of the collective guidance of party committees.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, by sagaciously leading the way in strengthening the collective guidance of party committees to suit the demands of the Tae'an work system, has provided a firm guarantee for ceaselessly improving economic management and stepping up production and construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, enunciating that the basic key to carrying through the Tae'an work system lies in thoroughly realizing the collective guidance of party committees, has comprehensively taught all the questions arising in enhancing the role of party committees. The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, graphically enunciating the methods to improve the work of factory party committees to suit the developing realities while giving his on-the-spot guidance for party work at numerous factories and enterprises, has personally led them by the hand to correctly realize collective guidance.

The work of factory party committees, which has been ceaselessly deepened and developed through the struggle to carry through the great Tae'an work system, is being further improved and strengthened on a new higher stage by the sagacious leadership of our party.

Our party, by setting forth the revolutionary guidelines for focusing the firepower of party work on energetically pushing economic work, tightly bonding together party work and economic work, and by leading the way in precisely embodying it, has made party work thoroughly aimed at commendably conducting economic construction. Our party, also strengthening collective guidance and positively promoting democracy, is leading the way with meticulous care in making the opinions of the masses amply reflected in the matters discussed and decided by party committees and is also energetically leading the way in doing away with the taking over of administrative work by party committees and their timidity and solving all questions by the partywide method, the political method.

Thus today all of our party committees at every level, free from senility and stagnation and always filled to overflowing with exuberant fighting spirit and vigor, are positively pushing ahead with the struggle to carry through the economic policy of the party, and highly promoting the revolutionary fervor and creative positiveness of the masses, are successfully solving all questions arising in socialist economic construction.

Under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the energetic guidance of our party the factory party committee of Tae'an Heavy Machine Complex, too, has further improved enterprise management, energetically launching the struggle to strengthen its collective guidance, and has ceaselessly increased production.

Our Tae'an Heavy Machine Complex is a glorious factory which is permeated with the brilliant historical revolutionary activities of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song has given his on-the-spot guidance to our factory on several score occasions from the time ours used to be known as the Tae'an Electrical Factory to the present, and making ours the first factory to have the great Tae'an work system whose basics are the collective guidance of the factory party committee, has sagaciously led us to thoroughly carry it through.

So it is that all functionaries, party members, and working people of our factory, holding the high pride and self-esteem of living and working in the land of glory where the first page of a new history of communist enterprise management was written, have energetically launched the struggle to improve economic management and increase production, carrying through the great Tae'an work system.

Where we have made great efforts in order to carry through the great Tae'an work system has been in thoroughly organizing the factory party committee and strengthening the collective guidance of the party committee.

Inasmuch as the supreme guidance organ of the factory is precisely the factory party committee, it constitutes one of the preconditions for carrying through the Tae'an work system to thoroughly organize the party committee.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, while early on giving his on-the-spot guidance to our factory, enunciated the importance of the question of organizing the factory party committee and comprehensively taught us the principled questions arising in organizing it.

As the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught, we directed keen attention to organizing the party committee with nuclear functionaries strong in party spirit and prepared in terms of political job performance, and ascertaining the overall task of the factory, positively endeavored to compose the party committee in such a way as to make it possible to satisfactorily insure partywide guidance. In this manner came to be widely included in our factory party committee not only party functionaries and administrative economic functionaries but also the nuclear workers working in primary production processes and able technicians.

Based on having thoroughly organized the factory party committee, we have put great efforts into strengthening the collective guidance of the party committee for enterprise management and production activity.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Party committees, collectively discussing all important questions arising anew before them, must formulate correct measures, conduct organizational work to mobilize base-level party organizations and party members, mass organizations and the masses in the struggle to carry through the policies of the party, and systematize the work of inspection and summation so that matters assigned and decided by the committees may be correctly carried through." ("Kim Il-song Selected Works," Vol 5, 2d impression, p 525)

The factory party committee, above all thoroughly arming the committee members with the teachings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the guidelines of the party, has made them positively participate in the discussion of questions at the party committee.

Every time the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song gave new teachings and the party set forth new guidelines, we have energetically launched the work of driving them home to the committee members and regularized the work of steadfastly explaining the policies of the party to the committee members until they deeply grasped the quintessence. This work has proved its great worth in making the committee members

deeply study even the question of measures to carry through the policies of the party and amply present their constructive opinions, participating in party committee meetings.

The factory party committee, also highly promoting democracy, has positively supported the creative opinions presented by the committee members and the producer masses, and reflecting them, formulated measures to improve enterprise management and increase production, and giving clearly defined assignments to the committee members, substantially helped them satisfactorily discharge their duties. At the same time, strengthening organizational political work among the broad masses of producers and enhancing the role of base-level party organizations and mass organizations, we have led the way in thoroughly executing the matters discussed and decided by the party committee, and ceaselessly deepening the work of control, work of summation, and work of rearrangement, effectively solved questions arising in production and enterprise management.

The party committee has thus positively struggled to strengthen its collective guidance in accordance with the teachings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the guidelines of the party, and as a result, indeed prideful achievements have come to be scored at our factory.

The greatest achievement we have scored is that we have even more thoroughly organized the whole collective into revolutionary ranks infinitely loyal to the party and the leader.

As the party committee has firmly given priority to political work, work with people, today all the functionaries, party members, and working people of our factory have come to thoroughly possess the revolutionary ethos of unconditionally carrying through the policies of the party, holding the teachings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the guidelines of the party as a firm creed. With steps taken to strengthen ideological indoctrination work among the functionaries and the working people and make one and all temper themselves through practice, the process of their revolutionization is being further stepped up and the communist virtue of helping each other and leading each other on is being highly displayed within the collective.

An important achievement we have scored through the struggle to realize the collective guidance of the factory party committee is the epochal improvement of enterprise management.

The factory party committee has thoroughly established the system for collectively discussing and deciding all questions arising in enterprise management, and as a result, all kinds of erroneous ideological tendencies such as subjectivism, bureaucratism, departmentalism which used to surface among functionaries have been overcome and it has become possible to firmly defend the partywide principle in enterprise management. Again, as under the collective guidance of the party committee planning work and production guidance work have been improved and all functionaries have come to responsibly carry out their tasks in accordance with the standards of management, enterprise management has been regularized, standardized, and all reserves and possibilities for production growth have come to be mobilized and utilized to the hilt. Thus our factory, which used to be unable to properly produce even a small transformer in bygone days, is today handily producing modern

electrical equipment such as large generators and transformers of hundreds of thousands of kva and high-speed motors and has come to have firm prospects for further increasing production quickly in the future.

All these achievements scored at our factory are the brilliant fruition of the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the prideful fruit brought by the Taeon work system whose basics are the collective guidance of the party committee.

Today our factory is faced with the heavy yet glorious task to produce in greater quantities various kinds of mechanical facilities needed in fulfilling the Second Seven-Year Plan ahead of schedule and occupying the 10 major prospective targets of socialist economic construction of the 1980's.

By deeply engraving in our hearts the high pride of working at the place where the great Taeon work system has originated and by further strengthening the collective guidance of the party committee and displaying the might of the Taeon work system to the hilt, we shall successfully carry out the task facing our factory and positively contribute to brilliantly realizing the grand program of socialist economic construction.

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THE TAEAN WORK SYSTEM IS A SUPERIOR ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WHERE THE SUPERIORS
HELP THE SUBORDINATES

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[Text] Some 20 years have passed since the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, brilliantly embodying the immortal chuche ideology and the revolutionary mass line of our party, created the great Taeon work system.

The establishment of the Taeon work system, which is our-style communist form of economic management, became a major factor which brought about a basic change in economic guidance and enterprise management and caused great leaps forward and innovations to happen one after another in socialist construction. This above all has to do significantly with the fact that the Taeon work system thoroughly embodies the demands for the superiors to help the subordinates in economic management.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"The most important demand of the Taeon system is to bring guidance closer to the base level; in other words, the superiors go down to the base level, have the plan formulated for the subordinates, help the subordinates organize production, and the superiors themselves deliver materials to the base level so that all aspects of enterprise activity such as production may be satisfactorily conducted."
("On the Question of Socialist Economic Management," Vol 2, p 563)

To say that in economic management the superiors help the subordinates means to bring guidance closer to the base level; in other words, the cadres, instead of issuing directives from their desks, go down to the base level, concretely check out the state of affairs at the base level, and based on it, teach the base-level functionaries what they do not know, straighten out what they are doing wrong, have pending questions solved, so as to step up production and improve enterprise management.

That the superiors should help the subordinates is an inevitable demand flowing from the objectives of socialist economic management.

The major objective of socialist economic management lies in scoring the highest success in economic work by solving in a timely manner various questions arising

in production and construction. In order to attain this objective, all economic guidance functionaries, instead of issuing orders and directives from their desks, must go down to the base level, concretely check out the state of affairs, and substantially help the base-level functionaries and producers successfully carry out their assigned economic tasks.

Only if the economic functionaries commendably help the base-level people and producer masses in politicoideological terms, in terms of technical job performance, in material terms, can they positively contribute to developing production and improving economic management by observing the stand as the master of production and management and fully perform their role as the master.

That the superiors should help the subordinates also constitutes a revolutionary method of economic management consistent with the intrinsic nature of the socialist society.

In the socialist society, which stands on public ownership of the means of production, the masses of working people, because of their socioeconomic circumstances and objectives and interests in common, solidly unite with each other and closely cooperate with each other in a comradely manner. In the socialist society, the economic guidance functionaries are not bureaucrats in some privileged position to lord it over the masses but are cadres selected from among the masses because they are better prepared politicoideologically or in terms of technical job performance, and are servants serving for the sake of the masses. Therefore, helping the subordinates is a job duty of the economic guidance functionaries. But if they, desk-bound in their position, exercise guidance by means of issuing orders and directives without hearing the opinions of the masses and without checking out the state of affairs at the base level, it will be basically running counter to the intrinsic nature of the socialist society where all people closely cooperate with each other in a comradely manner.

This shows that for the superiors to help the subordinates is one of the principled demands arising in guiding and managing the economy to suit the intrinsic nature of the socialist society.

The work method whereby the superiors help the subordinates in economic management is not something that is spontaneously established just because the socialist system has been set up.

The work method of functionaries is closely linked to the work system. Therefore, unless the work system is basically innovated it is impossible to decisively improve the work method.

As a matter of fact, it could be said that the economic management system of bygone days, even though it was socialistic in nature, was still a management system containing a lot of capitalistic dregs. In it had remained a lot of elements of individual egoism along with elements of bureaucratism and departmentalism and there had been the tendency in no small measure of issuing bureaucratic orders and directives instead of the superiors helping the subordinates. Thus under the old work system it had been impossible to highly promote the positiveness and initiative of the producers nor had it been possible to positively step up production and construction.

The question that the superiors should help the subordinates in economic management to suit the intrinsic nature of the socialist system was brilliantly solved with the creation of the Tae'an work system by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

One of the important characteristics of the Tae'an work system basically different from the preceding work system lies precisely in that the superiors substantially help the subordinates in economic management.

That the superiors should help the subordinates in economic management constitutes the basic spirit of the Tae'an work system.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"The basic spirit of the Tae'an system lies in that the cadres and workers become one and that the cadres, instead of issuing directives and orders from their desks, go down to the base level and work together with the producers and personally help them. In a word, what is called the Tae'an system has embodied the mass line in economic management." ("Kim Il-song Selected Works," Vol 4, 2d impression, p 168)

To say to carry through the Tae'an work system means to carry through the revolutionary mass line of our party in economic management.

In the socialist society, the producer masses are the masters of production and management. The strength and wisdom of the producer masses are inexhaustible, and once they are properly set in motion, it is possible to successfully carry out any task, however difficult and complex. Therefore, if socialist economic management is to be improved, it is imperative of necessity to put the first and foremost efforts into carrying through the revolutionary mass line and inspiring the producer masses.

In order to carry through the mass line in economic management, the superiors must help the subordinates.

Only if the superiors help the subordinates, is it possible to maximally promote the revolutionary fervor and creative positiveness of the masses and correctly work out the method to successfully carry out the economic tasks at hand relying on the strength and wisdom of the masses. Again, only then can the functionaries and the masses, becoming one, go forward to carry through the economic policy of the party to the end, thoroughly eliminating the dregs of all kinds of outdated ideas such as bureaucratism, subjectivism, and formalism in economic work. Accordingly, that the superiors should help the subordinates constitutes an important demand for carrying through the revolutionary mass line of our party in economic management, and the straight road to stepping up production and construction by rationalizing economic management. Precisely herein lies the important ground that it constitutes the basic spirit of the Tae'an work system that the superiors should help the subordinates.

The Tae'an work system also provides an orderly system of structure capable of making the superiors substantially help the subordinates in economic management.

If the superiors are to substantially help the subordinates in economic management, it is imperative to establish an orderly work system to suit it.

Only if an orderly work system is established, is it possible to have the conditions created for the functionaries to go down to the production sites all the time and go forward to improve economic management, thoroughly grasping the base level and setting the producer masses in motion.

The Tae'an work system provides an orderly system for energetically launching political work under the unified guidance of party committees and also provides a system for formulating plans whereby the functionaries go down to enterprises, shops, and work teams and hold discussions with the producer masses before formulating plans. Again, provisions are made for conducting the organization and command of production by the method whereby the production guidance functionaries and technical functionaries go down to the production sites all the time, ascertain pending questions and have them solved through collective discussion, and as to the materials supply and the daily necessities supply work for the working people, too, provisions are made for the functionaries of the unit in charge of them to assume responsibility for personally delivering them to the base level.

This shows that the Tae'an work system indeed makes it possible to go forward to solve, thoroughly on the principle of the superiors helping the subordinates, all questions arising in economic management from political work, work with people, to the formulation of plans, guidance of production, securing of materials supply and of the daily necessities supply work for the working people.

Thus the Tae'an work system constitutes a superior economic management system, whether in terms of its basic spirit or in terms of its system of structure, which makes it possible for the superiors to substantially help the subordinates.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has not only created the most superior Tae'an work system but to suit its demands, has sagaciously led the functionaries so that the superiors may substantially help the subordinates in economic management.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, personally convening important meetings such as plenary meetings of the Party Central Committee after creating the Tae'an work system, has properly set the work method and work style of functionaries so as to enable the superiors to help the subordinates in accordance with the demands of the new work system, and graphically enunciated the direction and methods of improving the method and system of guiding the base level. The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song also has led the functionaries by the hand, setting the great example, through his on-the-spot guidance of major factories and enterprises, of going down to the base level and giving substantive help from the method of going in among the masses and conducting political work to the method of ascertaining the state of affairs relying on the masses to the method of working together with the masses in solving pending questions and seeking out reserves.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, once again with a view to having the superiors more substantially help the subordinates in economic guidance, recently took the epochal measures to newly organize provincial economic guidance committees. By these measures has come to be provided in our country a unique industrial guidance system whereby the provincial economic guidance committees with a total grip on all factories and enterprises within their provinces directly guide production and

enterprise management at the production sites while the committees and ministries of the Administration Council conduct the work of studying prospective plans, exercise guidance for the development of science and technology, and perform the work of meshing cooperative production. With the establishment of the industrial guidance system aimed at carrying through the Tae'an work system, it has become possible for able functionaries who have been prepared in terms of political job performance, to go down to the production sites and on the basis of thoroughly ascertaining the state of affairs, have the pending questions solved in a timely manner and more tightly plan and coordinate enterprise management and production command, and for superiors and subordinates, joining forces, to go forward to energetically push production and construction.

Thus in our country under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song have come to be liquidated once and for all the dregs of the outdated capitalist management method of exercising guidance by means of issuing orders and directives and has come to be comprehensively established the revolutionary economic management system whereby the superiors and the subordinates, the economic guidance functionaries and the producer masses, helping each other and leading each other on, go forward to solve questions arising in production and management.

The work system the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has had established for the superiors to help the subordinates has eloquently shown its superiority in socialist economic management and its might is being demonstrated more energetically with each passing day.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"... it has very important significance in commendably conducting enterprise management and operation and quickly developing production that ministry and bureau functionaries with comparatively higher enterprise management standards and technical standards go down to factories and enterprises and help them and that factory and enterprise guidance functionaries go down to shops and work teams and help them." ("A Collection of Writings of Kim Il-song," Vol 15, pp 479-480)

The work system whereby the superiors help the subordinates is clearly manifesting its superiority and vitality above all in energetically stepping up production and construction by further strengthening the democratic centralization system in economic management.

To carry through the democratic centralization system is one of the basic demands for managing and operating the economy to suit the intrinsic nature of the socialist system and the demands of the law of socialist, communist construction.

Only by thoroughly insuring the democratic centralization system in economic management is it possible to successfully manage and operate the large-scale socialist economy without any tilting and develop production and construction at an uninterrupted high rate of speed.

To say to insure the democratic centralization system in economic management means to correctly combine centralization and democracy; in other words, to highly promote the sense of responsibility and initiative of local districts and

enterprises under the unified, planned guidance of the state. Centralization and democracy are organically linked to each other, both of which can be satisfactorily insured only through the process of the superiors helping the subordinates. If the superiors do not help the subordinates, it will become impossible to thoroughly realize the unified, planned guidance of the state nor will it be possible to highly promote the initiative of local districts and producers.

The Tae'an work system, precisely by making it possible to satisfactorily solve such important questions arising in socialist economic management, is firmly insuring the rapid development of the people's economy as a whole.

In our country, as the superiors have come to help the subordinates in accordance with the demands of the Tae'an work system, the teachings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the guidelines of the party are thoroughly driven home to every corner of the base level in a timely manner, and all production activity is organized and conducted in accordance therewith. As a result of the thorough establishment of the work system whereby the superiors help the subordinates, our economic guidance functionaries go down to the base level, concretely ascertain the state of affairs, and go forward to formulate measures to improve economic management, and are energetically pushing for the successful fulfillment of the people's economic plan, which is a law of the state. Thus the unified, planned guidance of the state for economic management is being insured more substantially than ever and a great productive upsurge is happening one after another in all branches, at all units.

That the superiors help the subordinates to suit the demands of the Tae'an work system energetically encourages and pushes socialist economic construction forward particularly by highly promoting the sense of responsibility and initiative of local districts.

As the economic guidance functionaries go down to the base level and substantially help the subordinates solve pending questions, the revolutionary fervor and creative positiveness of the producer masses are being more highly displayed, and the struggle to lessen the burdens of the state and run housekeeping on their own is being energetically launched in every local district. Today our local districts, maximally seeking out and mobilizing all reserves and possibilities, are positively stepping up production and construction, and the ethos of exerting themselves to give a still bigger plus to the state is being highly displayed. Our guidance functionaries, by going down to the base level and positively generalizing such examples that have already been set, are energetically encouraging and pushing all branches, all units to stoke the fire of joint and several innovations. Precisely through such process an uninterrupted high rate of speed is being firmly maintained in socialist economic construction, and our economic guidance functionaries themselves are growing up as able command personnel genuinely serving for the sake of the masses of people.

Reality energetically proves that when the superiors help the subordinates to suit the demands of the Tae'an work system, it is possible to positively step up production and construction, thoroughly carrying through the principle of democratic centralization, and highly promote the revolutionary fervor of the producer masses and quickly raise the standards of the economic guidance functionaries as well.

The work system whereby the superiors help the subordinates is also clearly manifesting its superiority and vitality in insuring the scientific nature of economic management and developing the people's economy at an uninterrupted high rate of speed.

It is one of the important principles which must be tightly maintained in socialist economic management to thoroughly insure its scientific nature.

Only if economic organizational work is commendably conducted to suit the demands of the objective economic law with the scientific nature of economic management insured and the accounting and control of all disbursements and consumptions are properly performed, is it possible to score the highest success in production and management activities and step up socialist economic construction even faster, preventing the phenomenon of waste in advance.

In order to insure the scientific nature of economic management, it is imperative to widely adopt technical means such as the modern means of weights and measures on the one hand and make the economic guidance functionaries conduct work with correct methodology. What has particularly important significance here is that all functionaries thoroughly embody the work method of helping their subordinates. When embodying the work system whereby the superiors help the subordinates it is possible to correctly embody the demands of the law of the socialist economy and the principle of socialist economic management, thoroughly eliminating subjectivism in economic management, and go forward to successfully solve various complex questions arising in the process of production.

Our party, by establishing the Tsean work system and making the superiors substantially help the subordinates, has opened up a wide road to scientizing economic management.

With the thorough establishment of the work system whereby the superiors help the subordinates to suit the demands of the Tsean work system our economic guidance functionaries are guiding economic work, holding it the first process of work to go down to the base level all the time and concretely ascertain the state of affairs. This is making it possible for them to embrace the inexhaustible wisdom and abundant experiences of the broad masses without committing subjectivism in economic work and formulate correct measures to solve all questions arising in production and construction, to suit the demands of the objective economic law and the specific conditions of relevant units.

It is the economic policy of the party which most precisely reflects the demands of the objective economic law operating in the socialist society and the conditions for its realization. Therefore, in order to insure the scientific nature of economic management, it is imperative to launch work with primary emphasis on thoroughly carrying through the economic policy of the party.

Precisely because the work system whereby the superiors help the subordinates makes the cadres, who know better than anyone else the economic policy of the party and the economic task the party sets forth in each period, go down to the base level, acquaint the base-level functionaries and producers with the policy of the party and correctly lead them to unconditionally, thoroughly carry it through, the system is making it possible to scientifically, rationally manage and operate

the economy to suit the demands of the objective economic law and is encouraging and pushing all functionaries and working people to successfully carry out their assigned economic tasks, joining forces. It is precisely here where an important part of the ground that the Tae'an work system is an admirable communist form of economic management is, where its immense superiority and vitality are.

Truly, the history of our country's socialist economic construction for the past 20 years clearly shows that the Tae'an work system, whose basic spirit is for the superiors to help the subordinates, is indeed the most superior economic management system possessing vitality which energetically encourages and pushes for the development of national productive forces.

All economic guidance functionaries, by deeply grasping the basic spirit of the Tae'an work system and ceaselessly improving their own economic guidance standards and by thoroughly embodying the work system where the superiors help the subordinates, shall positively contribute to defending the priceless achievements scored by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and energetically stepping up socialist economic construction.

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THE TAEAN WORK SYSTEM AND THE SCIENTIZATION, RATIONALIZATION OF ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT

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[Text] The great Taeon work system has demonstrated its immense superiority and vitality in socialist economic construction in the past 20 years. This significantly has to do with the fact that the Taeon system, admirably embodying the principle of scientific nature, has made it possible to most scientifically, rationally manage and operate the economy.

To say to scientifically, rationally manage and operate the socialist economy means to score a high economic success, managing and operating the economy to suit the objective economic law and the scientific and technological demands of production and effectively utilizing the resources of labor and production.

The socialist economy is a modern, large-scale economy developing on a planned basis based on the conscious utilization of the objective economic law and science and technology. Accordingly, the socialist economy earnestly calls for insuring the scientific nature and rational character of its guidance and management.

The Taeon work system is a superior economic management system that has brilliantly solved the question of scientifically, rationally managing and operating the socialist economy.

The Taeon work system is above all a unique economic management system which makes it possible to scientifically, rationally manage and operate the economy, mobilizing the collective wisdom of the masses under the leadership of the party.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"In order to operate our modern industrial enterprises, we must adhere to a scientific method and mobilize the wisdom of the masses under the collective guidance of party committees." ("On the Question of Socialist Economic Management," Vol 3, pp 40-41)

It constitutes a basic guarantee for scientifically, rationally managing and operating the socialist economy to rely on the collective wisdom of the producer masses.

The large-scale socialist economy equipped with modern technical provisions we must manage and operate not by the intelligence of any one individual but by relying on the collective wisdom of the producer masses. By relying on the intelligence of an individual it is impossible to precisely grasp the objective realities of the large-scale socialist economy where the linkages between production units are complex nor is it possible to go forward to satisfactorily realize the economic law and the scientific and technological demands of production.

In the socialist society, it also will be impossible to scientifically, rationally manage and operate the economy by relying on a purely economic technical method alone.

Of course, if the large-scale socialist economy equipped with the latest technical provisions is to be scientifically managed and operated, it is imperative to widely adopt the modern means of weights and measures and means of production command, properly make economic technical calculation and analysis, and plan and coordinate production organization and labor organization by a scientific method. But by clinging to such economic technical methods alone it is impossible to precisely grasp the objective realities of the socialist economy where the masses of working people are the masters of production and management nor is it possible to successfully solve the question of scientific economic management. Moreover, inasmuch as the revolutionary fervor of the producer masses plays the decisive role in the developing socialist economy, in no way is it possible by a purely economic technical method alone to either measure or mobilize it.

The only modern, scientific management method commensurate with the large-scale socialist economy standing on the latest technologies is the method of relying on the collective wisdom of the producer masses.

The producer masses are in direct charge of socialist production and management and in consequence, know better than anyone else the state of production and the method of improving enterprise management. The producer masses accumulate abundant experiences through the process of creative labor and ceaselessly seek out reserves and possibilities for production growth. Therefore, only by relying on the collective wisdom of the producer masses is it possible to overcome arbitrariness and subjectivism in economic guidance and enterprise management and scientifically, rationally manage and operate the economy.

The Tsaen work system, by making the masses widely participate in enterprise management under the collective guidance of party committees, is most admirably solving the question of managing and operating the economy relying on the wisdom of the masses.

The collective guidance of party committees makes it possible to mobilize the wisdom and initiative of the masses to the hilt, strengthening partywide guidance, political guidance for production. This also makes it possible to precisely establish the method to scientize, rationalize economic management, synthesizing and systematizing the wisdom of the masses. Individual wisdoms are of course fragmentary but if synthesized and systematized, they can manifest truly great strength. The will and initiative of the masses can be maximally respected and synthesized to the hilt by the collective guidance of party committees alone. Because party committees are composed of the outstanding functionaries of various

branches, they are capable of correctly synthesizing and systematizing the creative wisdom of the masses and precisely embodying it in economic management.

This bespeaks that the Tae'an work system, highly promoting the creative wisdom of the masses, is most admirably solving the question of scientifically managing and operating the economy.

What makes the Tae'an work system the most admirable form of economic management which scientifically, rationally manages and operates the economy also lies in that it makes it possible to precisely utilize the economic laws operating in the socialist society, to suit their positions and roles.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"In the socialist society, economic management must of necessity be conducted by the socialist method in accordance with the demands of the socialist economic laws, and if the capitalist method is embraced into economic management, it is possible the socialist economy will break down." (Ibid., p 357)

In the socialist society, various economic laws operate and their positions and roles are different from one another. From this, it arises as a very important question in scientifically managing and operating the economy to correctly utilize the economic laws to suit their positions and roles.

Laws occupying the leading positions among the economic laws operating in the socialist society are the economic laws reflecting the intrinsic demands of the socialist economy such as the basic socialist economic law, the economic law of the ceaselessly growing production at a high rate of speed, and the law of the planned, balanced development of the people's economy. Therefore, in understanding and utilizing the objective economic laws it is imperative to direct priority attention to correctly embodying the demands of such socialist economic laws and thoroughly insuring their leading positions and roles.

In the socialist society, the law of value also operates along with the socialist economic laws. The law of value is an economic law operating relative to the transitional character of the socialist society and as such, operates on a limited scale. The law of value cannot govern the overall process of the developing socialist economy. Therefore, the law of value must be utilized as an auxiliary means in strengthening the planned guidance of the state for the people's economy and rationally organizing societywide production. Contrary to this, overly evaluating commodity production and significance of the law of value and excessively clinging to price leverage will make it impossible to properly realize the demands of the socialist economic laws, and with capitalist elements growing, could ultimately make the planned socialist economy itself break down.

The Tae'an work system, by managing and operating the economy by the socialist method, makes it possible to most precisely utilize the economic laws operating in the socialist society, to suit their positions and roles.

In the Tae'an work system, the objectives of enterprise management and operation also lie in even better satisfying the interests of the whole society and the needs of the entire people to suit the demands of the basic socialist economic

law, not in pursuit of profits, and in a manner consistent with them overall management and operation work is organized and conducted. This is expressed in that under the leadership of the party and the unified guidance of the state all factories and enterprises conduct management activity with primary emphasis on thoroughly carrying through the economic policy of the party and the people's economic plan reflecting the interests of the entire people.

At the same time, the Tae'an work system, by carrying through the guidelines for unified, detailed planning and precisely meshing all management activities down to the last detail, makes it possible to thoroughly insure the planned nature and balanced character of the developing people's economy. Again, on the basis of ceaselessly enhancing the politicoideological consciousness and revolutionary fervor of the masses by firmly maintaining the state's centralized, planned management principle and by giving priority to political work, it goes forward to appropriately combine material incentives for labor with the work of utilizing economic leverages such as the independent economic accounting system. This bespeaks none other than that the Tae'an work system makes it possible to most scientifically, rationally manage and operate the economy to suit the intrinsic demands of the socialist economy and its transitional characteristics, thoroughly overcoming all kinds of tilting in the utilization of the economic laws.

What makes the Tae'an work system a superior form of economic management which scientifically, rationally manages and operates the economy also lies in that it makes it possible to strengthen the technical guidance for production to suit the demands of modern, large-scale socialist production and get all management activities highly organized.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"... the superiority of the Tae'an work system is that it provides for strengthening technical guidance for production and guiding production in an integrated way."
("Kim Il-song Selected Works," Vol 3, 2d impression, p 428)

An important characteristic differentiating modern production from handicraft production lies in that it stands on the conscious utilization of science and technology and that it is production by machines where the entire process of production is a process of operating facilities and technical means. In modern production, production process is none other than technical process, and technical process is none other than production process. Therefore, guidance for modern socialist production must become none other than technical guidance. Only by strengthening technical guidance for production is it possible to lessen the backbreaking labor of the working people, ceaselessly rationalizing the production process and commendably conducting the work of technically insuring production, and effectively utilize labor, facilities, and materials.

Another characteristic which separates modern production from handicraft production lies in that modern production is large-scale production based on the communal labor of many people linked together by the developed division of labor and cooperation of labor. Such characteristics of modern production inevitably call for none other than getting all management activities organized thoroughly. In large-scale production standing on the developed division of labor and cooperation of labor the slightest of what is spontaneous or unorganized comes

to exert great negative influence on production in general. A high productive success can be scored in modern production only if all aspects of management activity are thoroughly planned and coordinated and a strong discipline is maintained in production organization and command.

By organizing and guiding production in accordance with the unified, intensive production guidance system the Tae'an work system makes it possible to admirably insure a high organized character and discipline, strengthening technical guidance to suit the demands of modern production.

The unified, intensive production guidance system works to decisively strengthen technical guidance for production, enhancing the role of the planning staff of a factory or an enterprise comprising outstanding technical forces. Again, because the chief engineer who is the chief of staff of a factory or an enterprise guides the tasks of all departments directly connected with production with a comprehensive grip on them, the system makes it possible to thoroughly insure the unified nature of production command, organized character and discipline in production. As for the facilities and materials necessary for production too, the Tae'an work system holds the superiors responsible for meshing them with the production plan down to the last detail and delivering them in a timely manner, and makes it possible to most rationally conduct the work of insuring the necessary conditions for production.

Thus the Tae'an work system is the most superior economic management system which under the leadership of the party manages and operates the economy relying on the collective wisdom of the masses and, comprehensively, precisely utilizing the objective economic laws to suit their positions and roles and guiding modern production in terms of science and technology, makes it possible to insure an uninterrupted high rate of speed of development of the economy.

Under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song our party and people have further consolidated and developed the socialist planned economic system and firmly maintained an uninterrupted high rate of speed of development of the economy, energetically launching the struggle to scientifically, rationally manage and operate the economy in accordance with the demands of the Tae'an work system.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"By seeing to it that the economic guidance functionaries ceaselessly improve their guidance and management of the economy, precisely carry through the guidelines for unified, detailed planning, and regularize enterprise management, to suit the demands of the Tae'an work system, the most superior form of socialist economic management created by our party, party organizations must strive to make them go forward to more scientifically, rationally operate the economy." ("Kim Il-song Selected Works," Vol 7, p 91)

Inasmuch as the socialist economy is an economy which is organized and operated on a planned basis, it is imperative above all to thoroughly insure the scientific nature of planning in order to scientize, rationalize economic management.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, by sagaciously leading the way in thoroughly carrying through the guidelines for unified, detailing planning with a view to

improving planning work to suit the demands of the Taaen work system, has comprehensively promoted the superiority of the socialist planned economy.

In our country, as a result of unified, detailed planning realized, the state's centralized, planned guidance has been decisively strengthened and the mass line is being more thoroughly realized in planning. Thus, overcoming their provincialism, departmentalism, and the subjectivism and bureaucratism of the state planning organ all together, they are formulating scientific, dynamic plans and successfully carrying them out. This is becoming an important guarantee for completely eliminating imbalance and spontaneous elements in the developing economy and firmly maintaining an uninterrupted high rate of speed of economic construction.

Where our party has put efforts with a view to scientifically, rationally managing and operating the economy to suit the demands of the Taaen work system has been in regularizing, standardizing enterprise management.

Regularizing, standardizing enterprise management makes it possible to thoroughly insure a high organized nature and discipline, scientific character and rationality of production and enterprise management by making all functionaries and producers of factories and enterprises move in concert in accordance with the concrete standards and rules of economic management reflecting the objective economic laws and the scientific and technological demands of production.

Our party, by organizing revolutionary job functions and sagaciously leading the struggle to regularize, normalize work in accordance therewith, has further updated the standards and rules of economic management and brought about an epochal change in making organized, standardized the tasks of management departments performing important roles in the management activities of factories and enterprises. Also, strengthening organizational guidance work aimed at creating a model factory by the branch of the people's economy our party has admirably organized numerous factories and enterprises as model factories where enterprise management is regularized, standardized. The model factories organized by the energetic guidance of our party are today playing a big role as strongholds to bring up well preapred cadres capable of stepping up regularization, standardization of enterprise management, create and disseminate advanced enterprise management methods and give object teachings to the functionaries.

At the same time, by setting forth concrete guidelines needed for realizing the regularization, standardization of enterprise management such as the guidelines for establishing the daily production and financial summation system for work teams and by sagaciously leading the way in precisely carrying them through, our party has enabled factories and enterprises to further deepen their work of regularizing enterprise management.

Thus in our country, with enterprise management regularized, the Taaen work system has come to be realized still better, and management activity has come to be more scientized, rationalized.

What occupies an important place in the struggle of our party to rationalize enterprise management to suit the intrinsic nature of the socialist society has been striving to properly implement the independent economic acocunting system.

The independent economic accounting system is a planned management and operation method of socialist state-operated enterprises. Only by properly implementing the independent economic accounting system is it possible to enhance the production desire of working people and ultimately, further rationalize enterprise management.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song set forth the guidelines for properly implementing the independent economic accounting system to suit the demands of the Tae'an work system and had concrete measures taken for the realization. Thus, correctly utilizing the law of value while strengthening the state's centralized, planned management and based on strengthening politico-moral incentives, we have been able to even better combine them with material incentives and register a great advance in more scientifically, rationally conducting economic management.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song recently had new measures taken to bring economic guidance closer to the realities, organizing provincial economic guidance committees with a view to thoroughly carrying through the Tae'an work system.

Bringing economic guidance closer to the base level is an important demand of the Tae'an system and one of the urgent questions presented by the practice of socialist construction. Today's realities wherein the economy has grown in scope, its technical provision standards have risen, and modern factories and enterprises have been erected in large numbers evenly throughout the country, urgently call for bringing economic guidance closer to the field and further enhancing the initiative of local functionaries and working people.

The measures taken this time with a view to further improving economic guidance constitute positive measures which, by making the provincial economic guidance committees under the centralized, planned guidance of the state guide the factories and enterprises in the field with a direct grip on them, make it possible to clearly see through the state of management at the base-level units and in a manner consistent with it conduct production organization and command scientifically, rationally. By these measures we have come to have a sound guarantee for successfully carrying out the enormous task of socialist economic construction by more thoroughly carrying through the Tae'an work system to suit the demands of the developing realities and maximally utilizing the already provided powerful economic foundations and production potentialities.

The prideful journey of the past 20 years in which we have dynamically moved forward under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and our party along the road indicated by the Tae'an work system eloquently proves that an important method to manage and operate the economy scientifically, rationally to suit the intrinsic nature of the socialist system and the demands of the law of socialist, communist construction lies precisely in conducting work in accordance with the demands of the Tae'an work system.

Today we are faced with the glorious task to brilliantly realize the grand program of socialist economic construction set forth by the Sixth Party Congress and lay sound material and technical foundations consistent with the completely victorious socialist society. The basic key to successfully carrying out this enormous task lies in thoroughly carrying through the Tae'an work system and further enhancing the revolutionary fervor of the masses, and more scientifically, rationally managing and operating the economy.

By going forward to ceaselessly improve economic guidance and enterprise management strictly adhering to the Taaan work system we shall step up socialist economic construction and brilliantly attain the cause for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology.

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THE SUPERIORITY OF OUR COUNTRY'S SOCIALIST AGRICULTURAL GUIDANCE SYSTEM

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[Text] Some 20 years have passed since the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song had the most superior socialist agricultural guidance system established for our country along with our-style communist form of enterprise management, the Tae'an work system. During this period our agricultural guidance system has indeed displayed its great superiority in socialist construction and energetically proved its vitality.

Because of the presence of the new agricultural guidance system we have been able to quickly pull the guidance and management of the rural economy up to the level of advanced enterprise management of the industry and further step up self-reliant national economic construction, consolidating and developing the socialist rural economic system.

To deeply understand the superiority of our country's agricultural guidance system which has been proved through practice and more highly promote its vitality is our lofty duty, rewarding task for brilliantly solving the socialist agrarian question.

To improve the guidance and management of the rural economy is one of the important demands for solving the agrarian question once and for all and stepping up socialist, communist construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"... to improve the guidance and management of the rural economy, develop cooperative ownership, and insure a precise relationship between ownership by all of the people and cooperative ownership constitutes important conditions to expedite the technological, cultural, and ideological revolutions in the rural areas, effectively realize urban support for the rural areas, and successfully solve the overall question of socialist agrarian construction." ("Kim Il-song Selected Works," Vol 4, 2d impression, p 40)

The agrarian question, a relic of the old society, comes to remain comparatively long even under socialism. It has to do with the fact that this question is

a very difficult and complex one to completely eliminate the backwardness of the rural areas in comparison with the urban areas.

If the agrarian question is to be successfully solved under socialism, it is imperative to correctly establish a guidance and management system for the rural economy. Only by correctly establishing the guidance and management system for the rural economy is it possible to highly promote the superiority of the socialist rural economic system and quickly eliminate the backwardness of agriculture in comparison with industry. Again, only then is it possible to step up the ideological, technological, and cultural revolutions in the rural areas and strengthen worker-peasant alliance, and ultimately, energetically push overall socialist, communist construction forward.

Improving the guidance and management of the rural economy arises as an even more urgent question immediately after its socialist remaking, in particular.

Agricultural cooperativization completed, agrarian work expands in scope and a favorable condition for quickly developing agricultural productive forces prevails. On the other hand, it requires a certain period of time to raise the standards of functionaries to suit the new changed environment. Therefore, with the outdated guidance system and guidance method of bygone days it is impossible to keep agriculture abreast of the fast developing industry.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, based on his keen insights into this important question arising in socialist rural construction, personally provided a new agricultural guidance system in December 1961.

Our country's socialist agricultural guidance system established by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song possesses a series of characteristics basically distinct from the agricultural guidance system of the preceding period.

They above all lie in that under our country's socialist agricultural guidance system the state guides and manages the cooperative economy with a direct grip on it through exclusive agricultural guidance organs.

Generally, it used to be understood that responsible management and operation by the state with an overall grip on enterprise management could be realized only within the framework of ownership by all of the people.

Now, ownership by all of the people and cooperative ownership in the socialist society are the two forms of public ownership developing in a close mutual relationship and both of them constitute the economic cornerstone of the socialist state. Therefore, the party and the state of the working class must of necessity firmly maintain the stand to responsibly look after not only the life of the workers and office workers but also the life of the peasants and must assume full responsibility for the development of not only ownership by all of the people but cooperative ownership as well. When the state of the working class, thoroughly maintaining such revolutionary stand, commands high authority among the masses of people, it will be able to correctly guide the overall management and operation of the cooperative economy with a direct grip on it, despite the distinctions of ownership forms.

Under our country's socialist agricultural guidance system the state goes forward to realize, through an exclusive state agricultural guidance organ, the guidance and management of the agricultural cooperative economy, too, with a direct grip on it, which is distinct from ownership by all of the people.

In the counties of our country there are county cooperative farm management committees charged with guiding cooperative farms and directly implementing the state's material and technical assistance, and in the provinces there are provincial rural economy committees, and in the center there is the Agricultural Committee. Such exclusive agricultural guidance organs hold it as their basic mission to implement statewide guidance and in accordance therewith, are guiding and managing the cooperative economy with full responsibility.

Thus, provisions have been made for the state to guide and manage even the agricultural cooperative economy with a direct grip on it, which is distinct from ownership by all of the people, is precisely where the basic characteristic of our country's socialist agricultural guidance system is.

Another characteristic of our country's socialist agricultural guidance system lies in that it thoroughly embodies the demands for the superiors to help the subordinates and brings guidance closer to production.

For the superiors to help the subordinates is one of the most important demands arising in socialist economic management. Only if the superiors help the subordinates can they concretely grasp the specific conditions of the base level and go forward to solve in a timely manner various questions arising in production.

Our country's agricultural guidance system holds, as its basic cornerstone, the Ch'ongsan-ri spirit, the Ch'ongsan-ri method where the superiors help the subordinates, and goes forward to thoroughly embody it in the guidance and management of the rural economy. Our exclusive state agricultural guidance organs, thoroughly organizing the technicians and specialists of the agricultural branch into their own technical guidance forces and based on holding a unified grip on the enterprises serving the rural economy, are going forward to solve all questions to suit the specific conditions of the base level. Thus, basically eliminating the bureaucratic administrative work style primarily oriented in issuing orders and directives and highly promoting the creative positiveness of the masses, they are successfully carrying out the economic tasks at hand.

Our country's socialist agricultural guidance system created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song possesses immense superiority because of such intrinsic characteristics.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Our statewide guidance system for the rural economy is a superior system which brings agricultural management and operation closer to the advanced industrial management level, organically bonds together ownership by all of the people and cooperative ownership, and correctly combines the solution to the immediate questions and prospective questions of the developing rural economy."

(Ibid., p 60)

The superiority of our country's socialist agricultural guidance system lies above all in that by guiding the rural economy by the enterprise method it brings the management and operation level of the rural economy ceaselessly closer to the advanced industrial enterprise management level.

To say to guide and manage agriculture by the enterprise method means to strengthen technical guidance for agricultural production and get all management activities highly planned and organized.

When exercising guidance by the enterprise method it will be possible to scientifically, rationally manage and operate the large-scale socialist rural economy which has been equipped with modern technical provisions and where all production processes have been turned into technical process, and quickly pull the management and operation level of the rural economy up to the advanced industrial enterprise management level.

Our country's socialist agricultural guidance system primarily based on county cooperative farm management committees, by grasping the state enterprises and technical forces serving the rural economy and by concretely guiding the management activity of cooperative farms in the field, thoroughly insures scientific and technological guidance for agricultural production to suit the demands of technical processes. Again, county cooperative farm management committees guide cooperative farms in such a way as to make them scientifically formulate production plans based on a concrete calculation of all production elements such as mechanical facilities and farming materials, and go forward to ceaselessly improve the standards of agricultural management and operation, grasping and guiding on a daily routine basis the overall management activity of cooperative farms with a tight grip on the integrated, unified production guidance system, the unitary water supply command system, and the materials supply system where the superiors deliver the materials to the base level.

Thus, putting an end to the outdated administrative guidance method and guiding and managing the agricultural cooperative economy by the enterprise method and bringing agricultural management and operation closer to the advanced industrial management and operation level is where the greatest superiority of our country's agricultural guidance system is.

The superiority of our country's socialist agricultural guidance system also lies in that it organically bonds together ownership by all of the people and cooperative ownership and makes it possible to go forward to correctly solve the question of mutual relationship between these two forms of ownership.

The cooperative economy prevailing in agriculture, because it is appropriate to the developmental standard of productive forces under socialism and to the ideological consciousness level of the peasants, positively encourages and pushes for the development of agricultural production. But by no means does this mean that cooperative ownership is unalterably fixed and exists forever. As the material and technical foundations of the rural economy get strengthened and the ideological consciousness level and cultural standard of the peasants improve, cooperative ownership comes to develop into a more accomplished form.

The circumstances that ownership by all of the people and cooperative ownership thus come to coexist for long in the socialist society call for correctly insuring the mutual relationship of the two forms of ownership.

Our country's socialist agricultural guidance system is exactly the superior statewide guidance system which makes it possible to most precisely solve this question.

Our country's agricultural guidance system strengthens the direct production linkages between industry and agriculture and goes forward to organically bond together the two forms of ownership in the direction of ceaselessly enhancing the leading role of ownership by all of the people versus cooperative ownership.

Our agricultural guidance organs, thoroughly organizing state enterprises serving the rural economy such as farm machinery stations and irrigation stations and rationally supplying in a timely manner modern technical means produced by industry, positively help production by the agricultural cooperative economy. Thus, further strengthening the direct production linkages between industry belonging to ownership by all of the people and agriculture belonging to cooperative ownership, they organically bond together the two forms of ownership in the direction of ceaselessly enhancing the leading role of ownership by all of the people versus cooperative ownership and make the material and technical means, which belong to ownership by all of the people, gradually attain an overwhelming ratio in agricultural production.

This shows that our agricultural guidance system, strengthening the political and ideological influence of the working class on the peasantry and effectively realizing urban support for the rural areas, works to consolidate and develop cooperative ownership and bring it closer to ownership by all of the people.

The superiority of our country's agricultural guidance system also lies in that it works to solve the immediate questions and prospective questions of the developing rural economy in correct combination.

The agrarian question under socialism cannot be solved at a stroke. It can be satisfactorily solved only by a steadfast struggle over a long period of time. Therefore, in order to solve the socialist agrarian question once and for all, it is imperative to solve the immediate questions and prospective questions of rural construction in correct combination.

Our country's agricultural guidance system, by guiding and managing the agricultural cooperative economy by the enterprise method and maximally promoting the superiority and potentialities of the cooperative economic system, makes it possible to solve in correct combination, the question of improving the work of management and operation to suit the immediate demands of the developing socialist rural economy and the prospective question of eliminating the backwardness in the management and operation level of agriculture in comparison with industry. Because it also not only strengthens the state's material and technical assistance to the cooperative economy, reinforces the linkages between the two forms of ownership to suit the immediate demands of socialist rural construction, and works to enhance the leading role of the working class versus the peasantry, but brings cooperative ownership ceaselessly closer to ownership by all of the

people, it makes it possible to successfully resolve the prospective demands of rural construction for eliminating the backwardness in ownership relationship of agriculture in comparison with industry and even the class distinctions between the working class and the peasantry. At the same time, our country's agricultural guidance system makes the Agricultural Committee in the center mainly study questions relative to the developmental direction of agricultural technology and prospective development of the rural economy as it guides the rural economy as a whole while making the provincial rural economy committees and county cooperative farm management committees mainly put efforts into solving immediate questions arising in agricultural production.

All this energetically proves that our country's agricultural guidance system is indeed a unique guidance system which works to improve the work of managing and operating the cooperative economy and quickly bring cooperative ownership closer to ownership by all of the people, and the most superior agricultural guidance system completely in accord with the prospects for the future development of the socialist cooperative economy.

Under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song our country's agricultural guidance system has eloquently demonstrated its invincible vitality through the practice of socialist rural construction.

The cold front, which has brought great calamities upon many countries of the world in recent years, has also exerted its influence on our country and caused continued unusual climatic phenomena in the extreme such as unprecedented major droughts and typhoons. But, successfully overcoming all these unfavorable natural conditions and ceaselessly increasing agricultural production, already in 1979 we scored the prideful achievement of producing 9 million tons of grain and this year, energetically launching the struggle to occupy the height of 9.5 million tons of grain once again, have reaped bumper harvests of all crops unprecedented in years. All these brilliant achievements bespeak that our agriculture is confidently developing in accordance with the law of the socialist economy just as in the case of industry and that our country's socialist agricultural guidance system is displaying its invincible vitality to the hilt.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"... as a result that a new agricultural guidance system has been established and guidance for the rural economy has been basically improved, it has become possible to effectively realize the guidance of the working class for the peasantry, the assistance of industry to agriculture, and urban support for the rural areas and to go forward to consolidate the cooperative economy materially, technically and more successfully solve overall questions arising in socialist rural construction." (Book "On Several Experiences in Solving the Agrarian Question in Our Country," p 52)

The invincible vitality of our country's socialist agricultural guidance system created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is being clearly manifested above all in the firm guarantee provided for continuing to increase agricultural production with the rural technological revolution energetically pushed.

Our country's socialist agricultural guidance system is making the county cooperative farm management committees not only decisively improve water management

and utilization, establishing the unitary water supply command system but positively push the tasks forward to expand the irrigated areas and readjust and strengthen the irrigation facilities, effectively utilizing the state's capital construction investments and the material and technical strength of the management committees themselves. At the same time, it makes it possible to improve the utilization of mechanical facilities, rationally deploying modern agricultural machines such as tractors to suit their capacities and the characteristics of work targets and strengthening the repair bases, and go forward to satisfactorily solve complex technical questions arising in mechanizing the rural economy, strengthening creative cooperation between farm machinery station workers permanently assigned to cooperative farms and farm members. Again, it works to consolidate the achievements in rural electrification, rationally distributing power facilities to the rural areas, and positively step up the chemicalization of the rural economy, precisely delivering to the base level chemical fertilizer, agricultural chemicals and herbicides timely for seasonal requirements and thoroughly establishing a scientific fertilizer administration system. Thus in our country the rural technological revolution is being energetically pushed forward and agricultural production is rapidly developing on secure foundations.

Our country's agricultural guidance system created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is also demonstrating its great vitality in further consolidating and developing the socialist rural economic system.

With the most superior socialist agricultural guidance system comprehensively established and with statewide support for the rural economy strengthened, our cooperative farms have been thoroughly equipped with state-owned modern technical means and their production foundations have been dramatically strengthened. This shows that our country's socialist agricultural guidance system is providing a reliable guarantee which makes it possible to strengthen the material and technical foundations of the agricultural cooperative economy and continue to increase production at a fast pace.

The outdated agricultural guidance system of bygone days, failing to grasp in a unified way the state enterprises serving the rural economy, gave the cooperative farms no alternative but to enter into relations with state enterprises individually on their own. In consequence, the cooperative farms could not avoid looseness in management activity in bygone days.

But as a result of the new agricultural guidance system comprehensively established, the cooperative farms under the unified guidance of the statewide agricultural guidance organs came to enter into close relationship with the state enterprises serving the rural economy and to have all the conditions amply insured for scientifically formulating production plans and executing them. Thus today our country's agricultural cooperative economy has become a powerful economy managed and operated in a unified way under the guidance of the state, the socialist economy developing on an organized, planned basis.

Our country's agricultural guidance system is also clearly manifesting its vitality in stepping up the working classization, revolutionization of the peasants and raising their cultural and technical standards.

In our country under the new agricultural guidance system the workers of state enterprises serving the rural economy are working deeply going in among the

peasants. With no delay they are exerting great influence on the peasants in raising their ideological consciousness and cultural and technical standards, and the peasants are positively learning from them the revolutionary spirit, organized character, and cultured nature of the working class.

At the same time, our country's socialist agricultural guidance system, by making the state's exclusive agricultural guidance organ take charge of the guidance for the rural economy, is making the local administrative organs positively step up the rural cultural revolution, putting great efforts into the tasks of education, culture, and public health.

Thus our country's agricultural guidance system created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, because of its immense superiority, is displaying its invincible vitality in socialist rural construction and is energetically encouraging and pushing difficult and complex task of solving the agrarian question.

Today we are faced with the glorious and rewarding task to quickly increase agricultural production, improving the guidance and management of the rural economy, and go forward to brilliantly solve the socialist agrarian question.

All functionaries and party members and working people, by positively struggling to more thoroughly carry through our country's socialist agricultural guidance system created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, shall go forward to occupy the height of 15 million tons of grain ahead of schedule and register a new advance in socialist rural construction.

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THE HISTORIC EVENT THAT MARKED THE BEGINNING OF THE GLORIOUS ANTI-JAPANESE ARMED STRUGGLE

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[Article: "On the Occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Mingyuehkou Conference]

[Text] It is the 50th anniversary of the historic Mingyuehkou Conference at which the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song illuminated the bright road of the glorious anti-Japanese armed struggle under the revolutionary banner of chuche.

The Mingyuehkou Conference conducted under the chair of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song was a revolutionary event that moved our people's anti-Japanese national liberation struggle forward onto a new higher stage and marked the beginning of the glorious anti-Japanese armed struggle.

An armed struggle is the foremost main form of struggle in the colonial national liberation struggle. Imperialism, starting from its aggressive, plunderous nature, will not voluntarily withdraw from its colonies. The imperialists, with a view to sustaining their colonial rule, will not choose means and methods, and mobilizing all their power apparatuses and means of violence, bloodily suppress the liberation struggle of the colonial people. The more the struggle of the colonial people upsurges and the nearer the fate of the imperialist scoundrels approaches death, the more bestial violence the imperialists cling to to the death. It is inevitable that the colonial people come to launch a struggle by force, armed struggle, and only by such struggle can they pull down the imperialist colonial rule and win the ultimate victory of their national liberation struggle.

With the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song at the Mingyuehkou Conference setting forth the strategic guidelines for the entire people, bearing arms, to vigorously launch in unison into the anti-Japanese revolutionary war, based on his comprehensive analysis of the rapidly changing revolutionary situations at home and abroad, our country's national liberation struggle came to victoriously move forward along a new road of development.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"The time has come for one and all to bear arms and vigorously launch into the sacred fatherland restoration war. Let us make an all-out mobilization into an armed struggle of all patriotic forces opposed to Japanese imperialism, with no regard

for rich or poor, high or low in social standing, party affiliation and religion." ("A Collection of Writings of Kim Il-song," Vol 1, p 30)

The strategic guidelines set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song for launching the armed struggle immediately were sagacious guidelines starting from a scientific analysis of the situation prevailing in our country in the early 1930's.

The Japanese imperialists, who had been stepping up their preparations from long ago for a war of aggression with a view to realizing their ambition for world hegemony, at last caused the "Manchurian Incident" in September 1931 and began their armed invasion of the northeastern region of China.

The Japanese imperialists, as they expanded the fire of their war of aggression to the continent, carried out more viciously than at any time their reactionary offensives against the Korean people in a move to turn our country into a bridgehead, "a solid rear." The scoundrels arrested and imprisoned the patriotic people at random everywhere, massacred the patriotic people en masse, and suppressed by armed force the revolutionary advance of the workers and peasants. Under such circumstances, unless an armed fight was waged against the Japanese imperialists in direct confrontation it was impossible to move the Korean revolution one step forward and victoriously chart the road of national liberation.

At the time a sound cornerstone had been in place for organizing and launching the anti-Japanese armed struggle.

As a result that armed struggle preparations had been positively pushed under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, reliable nuclear ranks capable of launching the anti-Japanese armed struggle on a big scale had been organized and in addition, politicomilitary experiences had been accumulated.

The ground well of anti-Japanese sentiments among the masses of people rose even higher. The broad masses such as the workers and peasants continued their violent struggle, resisting the unprecedentedly harsh fascist political oppression and economic plunder of the Japanese imperialists more intensifying with their Manchurian invasion as a turning point.

The prevailing revolutionary situation was providing a golden opportunity to mount an organized armed struggle without delay against the Japanese imperialist aggressors.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, the sun of the nation and legendary hero, based on his scientific analysis of the revolutionary situations at home and abroad and the balance of forces between us and the enemies, convened a conference of the party and communist youth league cadres at Mingyuehkou on 16 December 1931 and unfurled the fundamental principles regarding a chuche-oriented armed struggle.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, solemnly declaring at the conference that the time had come to bear arms and launch the fatherland restoration struggle, appealed to the entire people to launch in unison into the armed struggle against the Japanese imperialists. And he comprehensively enunciated all the questions arising in organizing and launching the anti-Japanese armed struggle and the building

of standing revolutionary armed forces, the establishment of a guerrilla base and a mass base, the formation of a united anti-Japanese front and the strengthening of the work of organizing a party and of the task of the communist youth league.

The strategic and tactical guidelines and methods to rally the entire people in an all-out arousal to the anti-Japanese armed struggle, comprehensively and flawlessly enunciating all the theoretical and practical questions arising in connection therewith were a great program which, developing our country's national liberation movement into its highest form, armed struggle, made it possible to achieve fatherland restoration, vanquishing the counterrevolutionary violence with the revolutionary violence of our people themselves.

The strategic guidelines for armed struggle enunciated at the Mingyuehkou Conference indeed became an immortal militant banner which gave the oppressed and trampled Korean people a firm faith in fatherland restoration and made our people energetically launch into the heroic anti-Japanese war to strike down Japanese imperialism.

The Mingyuehkou Conference conducted under the chair of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song was a historic event of epochal significance in marking the beginning of a the glorious anti-Japanese armed struggle.

The historic Mingyuehkou Conference first of all opened up a turning point in the important turnaround of our people's anti-Japanese armed struggle to a victorious forward movement in accordance with a scientific strategy and a correct method.

If an organized armed struggle is to be successfully launched for winning the ultimate victory of the colonial national liberation struggle, strategic and tactical tasks for the realization must be correctly established. Only if there exists a correct struggle line, and concrete strategy and tactics capable of admirably realizing it are established, is it possible to go forward to victoriously launch the armed struggle in accordance with a precise struggle goal and a scientific method.

The Mingyuehkou Conference conducted under the chair of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, by setting forth the strategic guidelines for launching the armed struggle in the form of guerrilla warfare, provided a firm guarantee for making a clean sweep of the enemy, always holding the initiative with the tactics of intrepid mobility and flexibility.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"If we were to properly utilize the favorable natural geographic conditions of the border regions of Korea and the broad expanse of Manchuria, we could win the final victory even with small forces constantly sweeping away and weakening the enemy armed forces. To that end, we must organize and launch an armed struggle primarily in the form of guerrilla warfare." (Ibid., p 31)

To precisely determine its form in organizing and launching an armed struggle is a firm guarantee for the successful prosecution and victory of the colonial national liberation struggle. Only by correctly determining the form of an armed struggle is it possible to go forward to make a church-oriented revolutionary

force grow and strengthen and expedite the expansion and development of the armed struggle and energetically develop the overall revolutionary movement.

Conventionally, an all-people armed uprising used to be understood to be the primary method of the revolutionary struggle of the working class and oppressed, exploited people to win political ruling power. This did not suit the specific conditions of colonial countries which would have to launch their national liberation struggle, breaking through the stringent enemy surveillance, on the empty ground with no political ruling power of their own, no foundations of a national army, no rear of the state.

The characteristics of the new times and our country's colonial national liberation war called for a form of armed struggle appropriate to them.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, weighing with his brilliant wisdom the unprecedented characteristics of the colonial national liberation struggle, set forth at the Mingyuehku Conference new, unique guidelines that a revolutionary war to liquidate the colonial rule must be an armed struggle primarily in the form of guerrilla warfare.

The guerrilla warfare enunciated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a powerful struggle method quite capable of dealing great political and military blows to the enemy while maximally preserving one's own forces and of making a clean sweep of the numerically, technically superior enemy with one's small forces. Again, this is a superior form of battle which makes it possible to launch an armed struggle for an extended period, relying on the positive support and encouragement of the masses of people and favorable natural geographic conditions even under such unfavorable conditions that there is no rear of the state, no support of a regular army, and to win the final victory, expanding and strengthening one's own armed forces and constantly sweeping away and weakening the armed forces of aggression.

With the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song enunciating the new, unique form of struggle that the armed struggle must be launched in the form of guerrilla warfare came to be provided a theoretical and practical weapon for developing our people's violent advance against Japanese imperialism into an organized armed struggle and firmly guaranteeing the road of its victory.

The strategic guidelines set forth for organizing and launching the armed struggle primarily in the form of guerrilla warfare--this became a turning point in the great turnaround which provided a shortcut to pressing hard on the heels of the enemy, successfully solving, solely with the strength of the Korean people themselves, the difficult and complex questions arising in our country's anti-Japanese national liberation war.

The Mingyuehku Conference conducted under the chair of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song opened up a firm road to victory of the armed struggle by teaching important questions arising in organizing and launching the armed struggle in the form of guerrilla warfare and the method of solving them.

It is an important question arising in a colonial national liberation war to organize standing revolutionary armed forces, establish a guerrilla base, and build a mass base.

The colonial national liberation struggle is not something that is completed in a day or two but an arduous and complex struggle that demands a long-term struggle. If victory is to be won in this struggle, it is imperative to have standing revolutionary armed forces which are the basic means of an organized armed struggle and the decisive forces of a national liberation revolution, and to have a solid military base and a mass base capable of preserving and expanding one's own forces and of satisfying the material needs of the armed struggle.

As the Mingyuehku Conference, based on the armed struggle line set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, put forward the guidelines for organizing anti-Japanese people's guerrillas as standing revolutionary armed forces capable of taking on and carrying out guerrilla warfare, our people became able to steadfastly launch the anti-Japanese armed struggle with genuine revolutionary armed forces.

To build people's guerrillas as standing revolutionary armed forces instead of a regular army in the colonial national liberation struggle is an intrinsic demand of guerrilla warfare and was correct guidelines for building armed forces consistent with the characteristics of a national liberation war taking on a long-term nature and arduousness.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught at the Mingyuehku Conference that the revolutionary armed forces about to be built must become anti-Japanese people's guerrillas as standing armed forces and that they must become a genuine people's army composed of outstanding sons and daughters of the workers and peasants, a revolutionary army fighting for the liberation of the fatherland and happiness of the people, basically distinct from the nationalist armed unit or the righteous army or the independence army championing national independence in bygone days. Thus even under the difficult conditions that the vicious Japanese imperialist colonial rule was prevailing a precise road came to be opened up which would make it possible to attain the cause of national liberation with our own strength, building revolutionary armed forces and constantly expanding and strengthening them.

The Mingyuehku Conference, by setting forth the guidelines for establishing a guerrilla base, reliably guaranteed the victory of the anti-Japanese armed struggle.

If an armed struggle primarily in the form of guerrilla warfare is to be organized and launched, it is imperative to have a solid military base, a base in the rear. Guerrilla warfare against strong counterrevolutionary armed forces, only if it relies on a solid base, can go forward to develop steadfastly while constantly preserving and expanding its own forces.

The concrete conditions of our country's developing revolution presented it as an especially urgent demand to establish a guerrilla base. The anti-Japanese armed struggle was a difficult struggle that had to be fought without the rear of the state, without outside support, against the strong Japanese imperialist aggressive army equipped with the latest weapons, amid a stringent network of harsh oppression of Fascism of the Japanese imperialists covering the whole country. Under such conditions, in order to carry out the anti-Japanese armed struggle and the overall Korean revolution with our own strength to the end, we had to have a revolutionary base guaranteeing unified guidance for the Korean revolution.

Precisely at the Mingyuehkou Conference, based on a scientific analysis of the characteristics of guerrilla warfare the unique thought was enunciated that the guerrillas must of necessity have a guerrilla base and that it must become not only a military base and a base in the rear but also a strategic base of the revolution guaranteeing unified guidance for the revolutionary movement in general. Thus came to be brilliantly resolved the basic tasks to insure the adept military and political activities of the anti-Japanese people's guerrillas and thoroughly realize the unitary guidance of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song for the Korean revolution.

The Mingyuehkou Conference, solidly uniting the broad anti-Japanese patriotic forces under the banner of fatherland restoration, opened up a wide road to winning the victory of the anti-Japanese armed struggle.

An armed struggle is a people's war presupposing the positive participation of the masses of people. The positive participation, support and encouragement of the masses of people are the basic conditions for expanding and strengthening the guerrilla forces and guaranteeing the victory of the guerrilla war.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, on the basis of his enunciation of the intrinsic nature of guerrilla warfare giving comprehensive elucidation of the importance of building a mass base for the armed struggle and of the principle and method in connection therewith, led the way in insuring the developing of the guerrilla war.

The guidelines of the Mingyuehkou Conference for building a mass base for the anti-Japanese armed struggle were wise guidelines which made it possible to develop the revolutionary advance of the masses and, forming an all-people anti-Japanese united national front, attain the historic cause of fatherland liberation with the strength of our people themselves. This provided an epochal turning point in making it possible to maximally isolate and weaken the enemy, secure the decisive superiority of the revolutionary forces, develop the anti-Japanese armed struggle and win its final victory.

At the same time, the Mingyuehkou Conference illuminated a new road to isolating the Japanese imperialist aggressors internationally by forming an anti-Japanese united front with the communists and peoples of neighboring countries in the struggle against Japanese imperialism, the common enemy, and hastening our people's national liberation cause.

The Mingyuehkou Conference conducted under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song unfurled a historic epoch of our country's national liberation struggle and communist movement pressing hard on the heels of the enemy amid the flames of the anti-Japanese armed struggle. Precisely herein lies another enormous achievement compiled by the Mingyuehkou Conference in the history of our country's national liberation struggle.

With the Mingyuehkou Conference as a turning point there was a great turnaround for the Korean revolution to develop amid the flames of an armed struggle, and the invincible vitality of the Mingyuehkou Conference was displayed to the hilt in the course of the anti-Japanese armed struggle.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Korea's genuine communists, based on a scientific analysis of the situation prevailing in our country, set forth a church-oriented revolutionary line in the early 1930's and embarked on the road of launching an organized armed struggle against the Japanese imperialist aggressors. The anti-Japanese armed struggle organized and launched under the guidance of the communists developed the Korean people's national liberation struggle and communist movement onto a new higher stage." ("Kim Il-song Selected Works," Vol 7, pp 258-259)

In our country the struggle for national independence and liberation had been launched ceaselessly early on in various forms and by various methods. Before and after the occupation of Korea by the Japanese imperialists a patriotic cultural movement and the righteous army struggle were launched, by the 1920's a broad anti-Japanese mass struggle was launched along with the armed struggle of the independence army and the early communist movement. But all these struggles, for want of the leadership, revolutionary strategy and tactics of a peerless leader, merely left behind bitter failures and lessons of blood in the end.

As, with the historic Mingyuehku Conference as a turning point, the beginning of the glorious anti-Japanese armed struggle was marked and along this road our people energetically launched into the great anti-Japanese war, our country's national liberation movement and communist movement came to dynamically move forward on a new higher stage.

Amid the bloody struggle to carry through the strategic and tactical guidelines enunciated at the Mingyuehku Conference was founded the Anti-Japanese People's Guerrillas, the first revolutionary armed force of our people's. The founding of the Anti-Japanese People's Guerrillas, our country's standing revolutionary armed force, was a resolute declaration of war on the Japanese imperialists, a majestic proclamation heralding the total collapse of the colonial rule of the scoundrels.

Again, in the course of the struggle to carry through the guidelines of the Mingyuehku Conference a guerrilla base as a strategic base for the overall Korean revolution was established in the broad region along the Tumen River and a mass base for the armed struggle was being energetically built. Thus the unified leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song for the overall Korean revolution was realized more thoroughly and an energetic advance was registered in the anti-Japanese armed struggle with the positive support of the masses of people.

Our country's communist movement by getting linked to the organized armed struggle came to move onto a new higher stage.

In the course of the glorious anti-Japanese armed struggle it became possible to completely eliminate the intrinsic weaknesses of the early communist movement which had been utterly divorced from the mass struggle, and the church-oriented communist revolutionary ranks infinitely loyal to the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song grew up amid the formidable practice of the armed struggle, and with the unity and solidarity of the revolutionary ranks brilliantly realized based on the immortal church ideology, organizational ideological preparations came to be made thoroughly for party founding.

Truly, the Mingyuehku Conference conducted under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song became a historic event that marked the beginning of the anti-Japanese armed struggle, and it came to be brilliantly emblazoned in the history of our country's national liberation struggle and communist movement.

The Mingyuehku Conference conducted under the chair of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song also rendered a great service in encouraging the struggle of the revolutionary people of the world and developing afresh the revolutionary theory of the working class.

Today our people, as they greet the 50th anniversary of the historic Mingyuehku Conference, are filled to the brim with the firm resolve to more stoutly fight on along the glorious one road of revolution, deeply engraving in their hearts the infinite national pride and self-esteem of loyally revering the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song at the helm of the revolution and going forward under the leadership of the party to attain the chuche revolutionary cause charted by the respected and beloved leader.

We have yet to achieve the reunification of the fatherland and on the road ahead for our revolution still remain difficult and complex tasks.

By brilliantly carrying forward and developing the glorious chuche revolutionary tradition created by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song amid the flames of anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle and dynamically accelerating the historic march toward conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology we shall attain the chuche revolutionary cause to the end.

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LET THE YOUTH BECOME THE RELIABLE YOUTH VANGUARD OF THE KOREAN WORKERS PARTY

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[Text] The recent Seventh Congress of the Socialist Working Youth League of Korea conducted with the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song, founder and leader of our party and youth league, in attendance under the scrupulous guidance of the party, was a historic congress of great significance in our country's developing youth movement and in the political life of the youth.

The congress energetically proved the greatness and correctness of our party's unique youth movement guidelines, vigorously demonstrated the before the whole world the invincible militant might of the Korean youth firmly united around the party and the leader, and eloquently showed the rock-hard resolve of our country's SWYL members and youths to forever brilliantly carry forward generation after generation and attain the chuche revolutionary cause following the guidance of the party.

This congress, convened in a historic period when a new turnaround is happening on the road of attaining the chuche cause, provided another brilliant milestone in the glorious history of the Korean youth movement which has walked the one road of rewarding struggle and victory following the leadership of the party, and opened up the turning point of a new turnaround in the strengthening and development of our country's youth movement.

In particular, that the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song gave his historic speech "Let Youth Become Trustworthy Inheritors of Chuche Revolution" at the Seventh Congress of the SWYL constitutes a historic event of epochal significance in the strengthening and development of our country's youth league and in the political life of the youth.

The speech of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a historic document which has brilliantly summed up our country's youth movement and enunciated the position and role of the youth league in revolution and construction, and a militant program for the youth to brilliantly carry forward generation after generation and attain the chuche cause.

All party organizations and functionaries, by deeply studying the programmatic speech of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song at the recent congress and thoroughly carrying it through, must further strengthen and develop the SWYL as a reliable political reserve unit of the party and make all youths go forward to admirably perform their duty and role as the youth vanguard of the party.

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The youth question is a very crucial question influencing the success or failure of revolution and construction and bearing on the destiny of the nation.

What is called the youth question is a question to make the youth widely launch into the revolutionary struggle and bring them up as continuers of the revolution shouldering the responsibility for the destiny of the party and the people, as reliable workers for socialist, communist construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, early on with his keen insights into the position of the youth in the revolutionary struggle, had presented the youth question, the youth movement as one of the important strategic questions in the revolutionary struggle of the working class and given comprehensive answers to all the theoretical and practical questions arising in the building and activity of the youth league such as the mutual relationship between the party of the working class and the youth league, the youth league's intrinsic nature and the guidelines for its building, and the action principle and basic duty of the youth league.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, especially in his historic speech at the recent congress "Let Youth Become Trustworthy Inheritors of Chuche Revolution" once again graphically enunciated the position and role of the SWYL.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"The Socialist Working Youth League is a political reserve unit of our party and school of mass political indoctrination for bringing up continuers of the chuche cause." (Book "Let Youth Become Trustworthy Inheritors of Chuche Revolution," p 10)

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, by defining the SWYL as a political reserve unit of the party, as school of mass political indoctrination for bringing up continuers of the chuche cause, has precisely enunciated the position and mission of the youth league in revolution and construction and more graphically elucidated its intrinsic nature in scientific terms.

Very important is the position of the youth league in attaining the revolutionary cause of the working class.

The revolutionary cause of the working class is charted by the leader is carried out and led by the party of the working class but by no means does this mean that the party fights revolution all by itself.

Revolution only with the positive participation of the broad masses can dynamically move forward and triumph.

From this, the party of the working class, with a view to thoroughly uniting the masses on the side of the revolution, comes to organize broad mass organizations, i.e., mass organizations by trade, by stratum.

Mass organizations are auxiliary organizations of the party and as such, perform an important role in strengthening the party and attaining the cause of the party.

Among mass organizations the role of the youth league occupies an especially important place in attaining the revolutionary cause of the working class.

Why the youth league occupies an important place among the mass organizations has to do with the fact that above all it is a political reserve unit of the party.

In order that the party of the working class may attain its historic cause, it must necessarily have its own reserve unit. Just as an army without a reserve unit cannot win victory in war, a party which fails to have a solid reserve unit cannot continue revolution nor can it acquit itself fully of its historic mission. The reserve unit of a party must be such a militant organization that can ceaselessly supplement the party ranks, most resolutely protect and defend the party, and take the lead in carrying through the line and policies of the party. Such a militant organization is precisely the youth league. From this, the party of the working class, grasping the youth league as its reliable reserve unit and leading it, comes to fight revolution.

Why the youth league occupies an especially important place among mass organizations also has to do with the fact that it is a school of mass political indoctrination for bringing up continuers of the revolutionary cause of the working class.

If the party of the working class is to attain to the end the revolutionary cause charted by the leader, it must ceaselessly bring up continuers of the revolution who will be carrying forward and attaining the revolutionary cause of the leader.

Under conditions that change of generations takes place ceaselessly, the question of bringing up continuers of the revolution is an incisive one bearing on the destiny of the party and the future of the revolution. Failing to thoroughly bring up the youth as continuers of the revolutionary cause, the continuity of generations of the revolution will be broken and the party itself could degenerate. Why the youth league comes to occupy an important place among the auxiliary organizations of the party is precisely because it is a school of mass political indoctrination for bringing up the youth as continuers of the revolutionary cause.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's teachings in which he has defined the SWYL as a political reserve unit of the party, as a school of mass political indoctrination for bringing up continuers of the chuche cause are a guiding principle illuminating the road along which our youth league could energetically move forward following the guidance of the party as an honor guard unit, do-or-die unit resolutely protecting and defending the party and positively assisting the party remaining closest to it. Again, the teachings constitute a banner of struggle energetically leading the way in strengthening and developing our youth league into a forever chuche-oriented youth organization and glorifying our youth movement as a glorious movement going forward to carry forward generation after generation and attain the chuche cause.

In the past period our Korean communist youth movement has walked a glorious road of victory under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"The Korean youth movement has walked a prideful road of struggle as part of the history of our country's communist movement, and possesses a glorious revolutionary tradition." (Ibid., p 2)

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has not only founded a unique thought and theory regarding the youth question, the youth league but embodying them, has led our country's youth movement to brilliant victory and in the process, has scored a priceless achievement and experience in the solution to the youth question.

The entire historical road the Korean youth movement has walked has been a brilliant journey resplendent with victory and glory in which the thought founded by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song regarding the youth movement, the youth question, has been comprehensively embodied and its correctness and invincible vitality tested and proved to the hilt.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, based on the immortal chuche ideology, has led the way in launching the Korean youth movement thoroughly the chuche-oriented way to suit the demands of the Korean revolution, the specific conditions of our country, and the characteristics and aim of the youth.

In the course of the bloody anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle for fatherland restoration launched under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song the communist youth movement emerged and developed, and amid the flames of the formidable revolutionary struggle the brilliant revolutionary tradition of the Korean youth movement came to be established.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, by establishing in a timely manner after liberation based on the revolutionary tradition of the chuche-oriented youth movement personally established by him, a mass youth organization for building a new society and ceaselessly strengthening and developing it to suit the demands of the developing revolution, has set a practical example of how the working class after coming to power should develop the youth movement.

Truly, the one-half century history emblazoned with victory and glory of our country's communist youth movement along with the sacred chuche cause is a history of prideful victory of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's chuche-oriented youth movement thought and guidelines for youth organization construction, and a journey of glory in which a brilliant new chapter has been added to the history of the communist youth movement of our time.

The Korean youth movement which has walked a road of glory under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has deepened and developed one notch higher under the tested guidance of our party to suit the new higher stage of the developing revolution wherein the conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology is being comprehensively realized.

The past 1970's is a decade of glory in which under the sagacious leadership of our party a great change has taken place in the developing Korean youth movement and a new epochal advance has been registered in the work of the SWYL.

Our party, further developing and enriching, to suit the realistic demands of the developing revolution and youth movement of our country, the thought and theory enunciated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song regarding the youth movement, has put forward a unique theory and guidelines relative to youth work and is sagaciously leading the way in bringing about a new revolutionary turnaround in youth and juvenile work.

Our party has made it quite clear that our country's youth movement is a movement to embody the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's revolutionary thought, a glorious movement to carry forward generation after generation and attain the chuche revolutionary cause charted by the leader.

Our party, by giving prominence to the youth as the vanguard, shock brigade of socialist construction and energetically leading to awesome innovative change and heroic feat, also has made it possible for the youth to demonstrate their glory as collective innovators, forerunners on every rewarding site of socialist construction.

By the sagacious leadership of the party our country's SWYL has strengthened and developed today into a powerful political organization admirably bringing up continuers of the chuche cause, and in our country the question of preparing reserves for the revolution has come to be brilliantly solved.

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SWYL members are the reliable youth vanguard of our party and the vanguard, shock brigade who must take the lead in the difficult and backbreaking work of socialist construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"It is a great glory and pride of the youth to perform the role of the vanguard, shock brigade in socialist construction. The youth full of youthful vigor and burning with creative enthusiasm is the main-force unit on the labor front of building a new society." (Ibid., p 12)

To say that SWYL members are the reliable youth vanguard of the party means that they are the shock brigade, the vanguard which most resolutely protects and defends the party and takes the lead in carrying through the line and policies of the party.

Youths are the forerunners of remaking nature and society and the positive workers in charge thereof.

Only if youths positively participate in the revolutionary struggle and construction tasks is it possible to move revolution and construction victoriously forward and achieve an unending prosperity of the country and the people. In all the past historical movements there were always youths who took the lead, there has been no revolution that triumphed without the participation of youths, there has been no instance of social progress made without their creative struggle. This bespeaks that generally, it is youths who perform the role of the vanguard, shock brigade taking the lead in revolution in any era, in any society.

What makes youths the reliable youth vanguard of our party and revolution has above all to do with their specific character.

Youths, because of their sensitivity to the trends of the times and to the new and of their strong desire to search for truth, have always become the pioneers of advanced thought.

Today it is also youths of a new generation standing at the forefront of the glorious tasks who warmly espouse and learn from the chuche ideology, the great revolutionary thought of our era, embrace it as their world view and struggle for the realization. This bespeaks that because of the specific character native to them, youths are the pioneers, vanguard fighters who embrace ahead of anyone else and carry through the revolutionary thought of the working class, the ideology of the party.

Youths are also brave, free from hesitation and fear in the face of barriers, and have the specific character of struggling for justice and truth, jumping into fire and water. Because of this, they come to admirably perform the role of the reliable youth vanguard of the party who are always resolute in the struggle to carry through the line and policies of the party, protect and defend the party politicoideologically in any environment, however difficult, and take the lead in difficult and backbreaking work.

Korea's young communists in the first days of our revolution, loyally revering the young general Comrade Kim Il-song as the center for unity with do-or-die preparedness and becoming human bullets while negotiating steep mountain passes, had protected and defended the comrade commander, and loyally upholding the chuche-oriented revolutionary line set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and displaying to the hilt matchless intrepidity and sacrificial spirit in the sacred fight for fatherland restoration, had hastened that day of fatherland liberation.

Our youths who have inherited the brilliant anti-Japanese revolutionary tradition have always demonstrated the glory as the personal guards, do-or-die unit, shock brigade of the party and the leader in the glorious struggle to realize the lofty will of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the farsighted plan of the party in every period, in every stage of the developing revolution.

Youths, because they possess the advanced knowledge of science and technology, also come to play the role as the vanguard fighters of the party in the struggle to remake nature and increase the material and cultural wealth of society.

Youths, because they possess such specific character native them, become resolute protectors of the party, the main-force unit on the labor front, forerunners of technological innovations and cultural construction.

Today our youths are faced with the glorious duty to carry forward and attain the chuche revolutionary cause as the reliable youth vanguard of the party.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"It is none other than the youth of our era to whom has been assigned the lofty duty to carry forward generation after generation and attain the chuche revolutionary

cause which was charted by Korea's young communists and has been developed through our people's arduous struggle." (Ibid., p 6)

Today the overall duty of our revolution facing our party and people to convert the whole society to the chuche ideology calls upon the youth to enhance their role as the vanguard unit, shock brigade on all fronts of socialist construction.

All SWYL members and youths, by thoroughly preparing themselves as the reliable youth vanguard of the party deeply aware that they are the continuers of the chuche revolutionary cause and the future masters of Korea, must admirably carry out their lofty mission before the fatherland and the people.

SWYL members and youths must above all be infinitely faithful to the party in order to acquit themselves fully of their glorious mission as the militant reserve unit of the party, as the continuers of our revolutionary cause.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Youths, engraving faithfulness to the party as a revolutionary creed in their hearts, must loyally uphold the leadership of the party and resolutely protect and defend the party politicoideologically and with their lives, whatever the storm and trial." (Ibid., pp 7-8)

The glorious Korean Workers Party is a tested leader of the revolution leading the entire people to the struggle to realize the revolutionary cause and farsighted plan of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, and organizer of all victories of our people.

Apart from the leadership of our party, the strengthening and development of the SWYL, the hope-filled future of the youth, and the ultimate victory of the chuche cause are unthinkable.

All SWYL organizations and functionaries, tightly grasping it as the basic principle of league construction to establish the unitary ideology system of the party, must make the organization filled to the brim with the unitary ideology system of the party and unite the entire SWYL members airtight around the party and the leader. All SWYL organizations and functionaries, thoroughly establishing a revolutionary work system which firmly insures the leadership of the party, must see to it that within the league firmly prevails the revolutionary ethos to protect and defend our party politicoideologically and with their lives and conduct all tasks, thoroughly adhering to the line and guidelines of the party.

Thus they must see to it that all SWYL members and youths, engraving faithfulness to the party and the leader as a firm revolutionary creed and ethics in their hearts, share destiny with our party, whatever the environment, and protecting the party, thoroughly carry through the revolutionary line of the party.

To ceaselessly strengthen ideological indoctrination work among SWYL members and youths is one of the most important duties facing SWYL organizations and functionaries.

Ceaselessly deepening chuche ideology indoctrination among SWYL members and youths, we must see to it that they assimilate the chuche ideology into their flesh and

bone and wherever, whenever think and act in accordance with the demands of the chuche ideology. Again, by conducting in depth revolutionary tradition indoctrination among youths to suit today's realistic demands where change of generations takes place in the revolution, we must make them clearly understand the historical roots of the party and the revolution and go forward to thoroughly embody them in all aspects of social life. At the same time, strengthening revolutionary indoctrination and class indoctrination among SWYL members and youths, we must make them work and live with a heightened class awareness, infinitely hate imperialism and the exploiting system, and resolutely fight on against the class enemies.

SWYL organizations and functionaries, strengthening organizational ideological life among youths, also must make them live thoroughly abiding by the organization with a revolutionary view of the organization.

Important to youths in acquitting themselves fully of their glorious mission as the reliable youth vanguard of the party is admirably performing their assigned revolutionary duties at their revolutionary posts.

It behooves youths to positively participate in socialist construction as the forerunners of remaking nature and society.

Today our party calls youths to the struggle to realize the grand program of socialist construction set forth by the historic Sixth Party Congress.

Our youths, by bringing about a ceaseless upsurge on all fronts of socialist construction in loyal response to the appeal of the party, must highly demonstrate their glory as vanguard unit, shock brigade on the fronts. In particular, positively launching into the awesome struggle to carry out Mother Nature remaking projects such as tideland reclamation and construction of Namp'o Floodgate and T'aech'on Power Plant and erect monumental creations, youths must perform miracles and feats astounding the people of the world.

When youths, who are sensitive to the new and strong in progressive spirit, take the lead, it will be possible to score great success in the prosecution of the technological revolution as well.

SWYL members and youths, by energetically launching the technological innovation movement and positively mechanizing and automating production processes and by widely adopting advanced technologies, must thoroughly carry through the line set forth by our party for the chucheization, modernization, and scientization of the people's economy and give a big plus to assiduously running the nation's economy.

Youths must become not only the forerunners of the technological revolution but also the forerunners of the cultural revolution. Youths, at no time letting go books from their hands, must read and earnestly read various kinds of good books, steadfastly strive to learn modern science and technology, and take the lead in keeping the streets and neighborhoods, schools and work sites clean and hygienically tidy.

It is the sacred duty of youths to thoroughly defend gains of the revolution and the fatherland. All youths, in light of the daily intensifying machinations

of the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys to provoke another war, must maintain a dynamic, alert posture at all times, crush whatever enemy aggression, and defend airtight the security of the fatherland.

To put an end to the tragedy of national division and reunify the fatherland is the most pressing task facing our country's youths and entire people today.

All SWYL members and youths must go forward to energetically step up socialist construction with the mind of supporting the brethren of the south positively struggling and fighting to realize the new fatherland reunification proposal put forward by the Sixth Congress of the KWP.

An important guarantee for making youths acquit themselves fully of their glorious mission as the reliable revolutionary vanguard of the party is strengthening the combat strength of SWYL organizations and ceaselessly enhancing the role of SWYL functionaries.

In particular, today when the youth movement is faced with the crucial duty to hasten the cause for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology, it arises as a very urgent question to more thoroughly organize SWYL organizations and enhance their functions and role.

All SWYL organizations, by establishing a steely discipline and order within the ranks, must consolidate theirs into militant organizations going forward to carry through the line and policies of the party in a timely manner, jumping into fire and water.

Today, important in energetically moving the youth movement forward is for party organizations at all levels to strengthen partywide guidance for SWYL work. Only if party organizations strengthen partywide guidance for SWYL work is it possible to go forward to develop SWYL work as intended by the party and more thoroughly prepare all youths as the reliable youth vanguard of the party.

Party organizations, by acquainting SWYL functionaries with the guidelines of the party and teaching them the method of work and way of work on a daily routine basis, must positively help them launch all tasks as intended by the party.

There is no force that can stand in the way of the march of our youths dynamically moving forward filled to overflowing with faith and optimism toward a bright communist future, loyally revering the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and following the leadership of the party.

All youths, by holding aloft the revolutionary banner of the immortal chuche ideology and stoutly fighting on united airtight around the Party Central Committee headed by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, shall brilliantly carry forward generation after generation and attain the chuche revolutionary cause.

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POLITICALLY INDEPENDENT STAND AND ATTITUDE IS THE FIRST AND FOREMOST LIFE OF AN
INDEPENDENT SOVEREIGN STATE

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[Text] Our people have dynamically moved forward along the road of building an independent sovereign state brightly illuminated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and in the process, have scored immortal achievements.

Our country, which lost its identity on the world map in bygone days, radiates radiant rays today as an infinitely growing and prospering independent socialist power and our people have become such an energetic, majestic people that no one may touch.

The change of the century that has taken place in our country is the prideful achievement scored as a result that our party and the government of the republic under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song have brilliantly embodied the principle of independent stand and attitude in the sphere of state construction.

Reality eloquently shows that politically independent stand and attitude is the first and foremost life of an independent sovereign state and that only by tightly maintaining independent stand and attitude is it possible to defend the dignity of the country and the people and achieve their unending prosperity.

Politically independent stand and attitude is the first and foremost life of an independent sovereign state and an indispensable requirement of genuine national independence.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Political independence is the life and soul of an independent and sovereign state. An independent government alone can defend the dignity of the country and the people and push ahead vigorously with the revolution and construction."
(Book "Let Us Step Up Socialist Construction Under the Banner of Chuche Thought," p 5)

State power is political ruling power and the basic factor determining the position and role of people. In order that the masses of working people may become the

genuine masters of the state and society, they must hold power in their hands and must build an independent sovereign state.

Independent stand and attitude is life for the country and the people. It constitutes precisely the basic characteristics of an independent sovereign state to struggle to protect and realize the independent stand and attitude of the country and the people. Just as a man deprived of his socially independent stand and attitude cannot be said to be a man, a country deprived of its independent stand and attitude, too, cannot be said to be an independent sovereign state.

Politically independent stand and attitude is the most basic factor determining the independent stand and attitude of a state.

Politically independent stand and attitude is an independent stand and attitude in the sphere of political activity, and this bespeaks that a country solves all questions arising in revolution and construction with its own strength, based on its own self-dependent belief and judgment, opposing domination and enslavement in all forms, and exercises its sovereign rights on a completely equal footing in its relations with other countries.

Politically independent stand and attitude is a political guarantee for self-reliance in the economy and self-reliance in national defense. Apart from politically independent stand and attitude it is impossible to achieve self-reliance in the economy nor is self-reliant national defense thinkable, and in consequence, it is impossible to speak about the building of a completely independent sovereign state.

Of course, self-reliance in the economy is the material cornerstone of an independent sovereign state, and self-reliance in national defense is a military guarantee for a sovereign state. Self-reliance in the economy and self-reliance in military defense are important factors guaranteeing the independent stand and attitude of a country and constitute an indispensable condition guaranteeing the dignity and development of an independent sovereign state.

But self-reliance in the economy and self-reliance in national defense can be firmly guaranteed only when politically independent stand and attitude is thoroughly maintained.

Only by firmly maintaining its independent stand and attitude in politics can a state go forward to solve all questions arising in economic construction and national defense construction, with its own strength to suit the interests of its people and the specific conditions of its country and solidly create a self-reliant national economy and self-reliant national defense force. To tightly maintain independent stand and attitude in politics constitutes a precondition for realizing self-reliance in the economy and self-reliance in national defense.

Thus, compared with self-reliance in the economy or self-reliance in national defense, politically independent stand and attitude occupies the leading position and performs the governing role.

Politically independent stand and attitude is a firm guarantee for making the masses of working people become the genuine masters of their own destinies.

The most basic question for the masses of working people to become the genuine masters of their own destinies, casting off all kinds of domination and enslavement, is completely realizing their independent stand and attitude.

If the masses of working people are to completely realize their independent stand and attitude, above all they must become the genuine masters of state power. Only the masses of people having an independent government can become the genuine masters of the state and society.

Inasmuch as man is a social being who lives, constituting a country and a people, it is imperative that each country and each people must have a firm politically independent stand and attitude in order to protect and realize the independent stand and attitude of the masses of people.

Man's independent stand and attitude can be insured only in the social relations which come to be entered into in the course of social life, and people's social life is formed on a certain nation-state basis.

The independent stand and attitude of a country and a people is an intensive manifestation of people's independent stand and attitude and at the same time a basic guarantee for protecting and comprehensively realizing it. Only if a nationally independent stand and attitude is insured, can the independent stand and attitude of the masses of people constituting that nation be insured and the independent stand and attitude of the country firmly realized.

The independent stand and attitude of each country can be firmly defended and insured only by a genuine people's government, an independent government struggling to thoroughly protect and comprehensively realize the independent stand and attitude of the masses of people of its country.

Therefore, the independent stand and attitude of a country and a people constitutes a basic guarantee, a precondition for protecting and comprehensively realizing the independent stand and attitude of the masses of working people.

Politically independent stand and attitude is also a decisive guarantee for firmly defending the dignity of a country and a people.

All countries, all peoples are equal and independent and have the sacred right of national self-determination to resolve their destinies on their own. Any nation, only if it realizes its complete political self-determination, tightly grasps its rights in its own hands and exercises them, can insure its independence and freedom and defend the dignity of its country and people.

In order that a country and a people may exercise their right of national self-determination and defend their dignity as the masters of their own destinies, they must firmly maintain their independent stand and attitude in politics.

Only if they tightly maintain their politically independent stand and attitude can they above all grasp their destinies in their own hands and go forward to work them out with their own strength.

Politically independent stand and attitude calls upon each country and each people to firmly maintain their position as the masters of their own destinies and

acquit themselves fully of their responsibility and role as the masters. Only when a country and a people tightly maintain their independent stand and attitude can they achieve the independent development of their country and defend the dignity of their people by determining and solving with their own strength all questions bearing on their destinies, based on their self-dependent belief and judgment to suit the demands of their country's revolution and the interests of their people.

Only by tightly maintaining their politically independent stand and attitude can they also develop relations with other countries on the principles of complete equality and mutual respect, opposing all kinds of domination and enslavement.

Complete equality and mutual respect between nation-states is an indispensable requirement flowing from the sacred right of national self-determination and a precondition for realizing national sovereignty.

The relationship of complete equality and mutual respect between countries cannot be achieved spontaneously but can be firmly insured only if countries and peoples tightly grasp and exercise their right of political self-determination opposing enslavement to others, on the one hand, and resolutely struggling against forces enslaving others.

Politically independent stand and attitude not only does not tolerate oneself to be enslaved to others but opposes anyone enslaving others. Independent stand and attitude is the sacred right of each country and each people that no one may violate, and each country has the duty to respect the sovereignty of other countries.

Independent stand and attitude demands that all peoples and countries be completely equal and practice mutual respect, and provides a firm guarantee for firmly insuring national independence and freedom against all kinds of enslavement and oppression, inequalities, and for making the solidarity and cooperation between countries truly voluntary and solid.

If a country loses its politically independent stand and attitude and fails to observe the principles of equality and mutual respect, it will subject the country to enslavement, domination, and intervention by other countries and the dignity of the country and the people will be trampled underfoot.

For a country and a people to defend their dignity arises as an even more urgent question today under conditions that the imperialists, dominationists are intensifying their scramble to once again enslave the newly emerging countries which have embarked on the road to building a new life.

Under conditions that the imperialists, dominationists are perpetrating all kinds of vicious machinations to stand in the way of the independent development of the newly emerging countries, if the newly emerging countries fail to tightly maintain their politically independent stand and attitude, they cannot beat back the politicoeconomic pressures of outside forces and in the end, could once again fall to the status of an enslaved state, unable to defend their national dignity and independence.

Reality shows that tightly maintaining independent stand and attitude in politics is where the true road to successfully beating back all kinds of machinations of

enslavement and intervention by the imperialists, dominationists and thoroughly defending national independence and adding luster to the dignity and luster of a country and a people, is.

Politically independent stand and attitude is also the decisive guarantee for successfully carrying out revolution and construction.

The revolutionary struggle and construction tasks are conducted on a nation-state basis.

Each country and people is carrying out revolution and construction in an environment and under conditions different from one another. Every country has different historical peculiarities in its development and a different national tradition, and the revolutionary tasks and duties it has to perform are not identical either.

In order to successfully carry out the revolutionary struggle and construction tasks, they must firmly maintain their independent stand and attitude in politics.

Only if they tightly maintain their politically independent stand and attitude can they establish a correct line and policies for successfully carrying out revolution and construction.

To establish a correct line and policies is a precondition for successfully carrying out the revolutionary struggle and construction tasks. Only if there are a correct line and policies can the masses of people launch through goal consciousness the struggle to build a new society with a clearly defined goal and a scientific method.

When one tightly maintains one's independent stand and attitude in politics, one can, by one's self-dependent belief and judgment on the basis of a scientific analysis of the reality of one's country with the interests of one's people placed in the first and foremost place, establish all lines and policies. Only independently established lines and policies can become revolutionary scientific lines and policies most precisely reflecting the aim and aspiration of one's own people and the specific conditions of one's own country, and can command the positive support of the masses of people of the country and encourage and inspire them to the victory of revolution and construction.

Deprived of one's politically independent stand and attitude, one will fall victim to flunkeyism and dogmatism, blindly follow others and blindly act, and mechanically copy the lines and policies of others. Should this come to pass, ultimately one will be unable to maintain a principled nature and consistency in formulating one's lines and policies, precisely lead the revolutionary struggle and construction tasks, and correctly carry out the task of building a rich, strong, independent sovereign state. Only if one firmly maintains one's independent stand and attitude in politics can one formulate the most correct lines and policies consistent with the specific conditions of one's country and the aim and demands of one's own people, and thoroughly carrying them through, successfully carry out revolution and construction.

Only if one tightly maintains one's politically independent stand and attitude can one also energetically push ahead with revolution and construction,

maximally organizing and mobilizing the strength of the masses of people of one's own country.

The masters of the revolution of each country are the people themselves of the country concerned, and the strength of encouraging and pushing revolution and construction also resides in the people themselves of the country concerned. The revolutionary struggle and construction tasks of each country can be successfully carried out only if the people of the country concerned, who have vital interests at stake in them, become the masters and actively push ahead with them with their own strength.

Independent stand and attitude in politics constitutes a powerful driving force which makes it possible for the masses of working people to vigorously launch into the revolutionary struggle and construction tasks with a high awareness as the masters of the revolution of their country and extraordinarily step up the great task of building an independent sovereign state.

Of course, in building a new society the newly independent countries could strengthen economic and technical cooperation with other countries and receive outside help. This helps the developing countries throw off their economic and technological backwardness and lay foundations of a self-reliant national economy. Therefore, in order that the developing countries may successfully build a self-reliant national economy, they must maximally mobilize and utilize their national potential, on the one hand, and strengthen economic and technical cooperation with other countries, especially the newly emerging countries, on the principle of satisfying each other's needs.

To respect independent stand and attitude is a precondition and cornerstone for strengthening solidarity and cooperation between countries. Economic and technical cooperation with other countries, too, when based on independent stand and attitude, can become a truly voluntary and solid one, one that suits the interests of one's country and people.

Deprived of politically independent stand and attitude, one will be unable to effectively utilize economic and technical cooperation with other countries to suit the specific conditions of one's country nor will one be able to beat back the cunning machinations of the imperialists to tie up the developing countries politicoeconomically, using "aid" for bait.

Firmly maintaining independent stand and attitude in politics is where a firm guarantee which makes it possible to beat back the enslavement and intervention machinations of the imperialists, energetically push ahead with revolution and construction thoroughly relying on the chuche-oriented strength of one's own country, and achieve the enrichment, strengthening, and development of the country, is.

Truly, the thought set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song that politically independent stand and attitude is the first and foremost life of an independent sovereign state is an outstanding thought which has brightly illuminated the straight road to building a state where the country and the people, liquidating domination and enslavement in all forms, become the genuine masters of their own destinies, and a militant banner energetically encouraging and inspiring the working class and the masses of working people to the prosecution of the great task of building a rich and strong independent sovereign state.

The correctness and invincible vitality of the thought for tightly maintaining politically independent stand and attitude in state activity have been eloquently proved in the practical struggle of our people to build an independent sovereign state.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Our party and the government of the republic have held fast to the principle of self-dependently formulating all lines and policies to suit the interests of our revolution and the specific conditions of our country and of carrying them through relying on the strength of our own people. That our revolution is only advancing straight along the one road of victory free from twists and turns and that our people are honorably protecting national dignity in the world arena is precisely because our party and the government of the republic are firmly maintaining independent stand and attitude." (Book "Summing-Up Report on the Work of the Central Committee to the Sixth Congress of the Korean Workers Party," p 27)

Our party and the government of the republic under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song have thoroughly maintained politically independent stand and attitude, holding the immortal chuche ideology as an immutable guiding principle of state activity.

We have formulated all lines and policies based on our own judgment and belief, and never constrained by any extant formula or proposition in meeting the demands of our revolution and the realities of our country, have boldly formulated and carried through new lines and policies.

The government of the republic has successfully resolved all the enormous and awesome tasks arising in revolution and construction, mobilizing the inexhaustible strength of our people on the principle of self-reliance.

As a result of firmly maintaining independent stand and attitude in politics and practicing self-reliance, we have been able to move revolution and construction straight along the one road of victory, successfully overcoming all the barriers and trials encountered even in such a difficult and complex environment that the country is dichotomized into the North and South and that we are in direct confrontation with the U.S. imperialists, the mastermind of world reaction, and transform ours into a socialist power self-dependent in politics, self-supporting in economics, and self-reliant in national defense, in a historically short period of time.

Our party and the government of the republic have always firmly maintained independent stand and attitude in the sphere of external relations, too.

We have developed relationships of friendship and cooperation with all the large and small countries respecting the independent stand and attitude of our country, on the principle of mutual respect on a completely equal footing, and have conducted all external activities through and through based on our own self-dependent judgment and belief to suit our specific conditions.

The government of the republic has not permitted anyone to meddle in the internal affairs of our country nor has it ever tolerated anyone to violate or defile our national sovereignty and dignity.

Loyally revering the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and under the sagacious leadership of our party firmly maintaining politically independent stand and attitude which is the first and foremost life of the country and the people is where the high dignity and authority of our republic are, where its invincible might is.

Today that our country ceaselessly grows and prospers as it demonstrates its commanding appearance as a socialist power and is highly praised by the people of the world as "the fatherland of chuche" and "a model country of socialism" is precisely because politically independent stand and attitude is put up front as the first and foremost life and it is being thoroughly embodied in all areas of state activity.

Truly, all the victories and successes scored by our people in the prideful journey of struggle that has transformed our country, which used to be a complete colony of foreign imperialists, into a dignified and mighty socialist power, are the great victory of the immortal chuche ideology and the brilliant fruit brought by our party's line of sovereignty.

Today our revolution continues to dynamically move forward on the new higher stage of converting the whole society to the chuche ideology.

The cause for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology calls for thinking out and judging all questions arising in revolution and construction with our own heads on an independent stand and creative stand and solving them in our style to suit the demands of the Korean revolution and the interests of our people.

Firmly maintaining the independent stand and creative stand is where a firm guarantee for successfully attaining the cause for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology is.

By loyally revering the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and firmly maintaining the independent stand and creative stand in revolution and construction under the sagacious leadership of our glorious party, we shall go forward to brilliantly attain the cause for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology.

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OUR PARTY'S ARTISTIC AGITATION GUIDELINES AND THEIR IMMENSE VITALITY

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[Text] Our party, setting forth the revolutionary guidelines for energetically launching artistic agitation to suit the realistic demands of socialist construction, has sagaciously organized and led the struggle for the realization.

Today the drumbeat of artistic agitation ringing out loudly from socialist construction sites energetically calls our party members and working people to mass heroism and collective innovation, and is making a new upsurge and miracle brought about everywhere and the whole society filled to overflowing with revolutionary enthusiasm and militant vigor.

Artistic agitation, whose correctness and vitality have been proved to the hilt through practice, is becoming our party's powerful mass political work method, an energetic mass mobilization means to step up socialist economic construction.

By more thoroughly carrying through the party's artistic agitation guidelines we must make the speed battle blaze up on all fronts of socialist construction.

Artistic agitation is a form of economic agitation which is launched with the utilization of works of literature and arts in various forms and of artistic means such as popular musical instruments.

The party of the working class, which has come to power, must achieve a ceaseless upsurge in socialist economic construction, highly promoting the revolutionary fervor and creative positiveness of the masses of working people. This is one of the important tasks facing party ideological work. If such task is to be successfully carried out, economic agitation, particularly artistic agitation, must be briskly launched together with the propaganda of the party's economic policy.

Artistic agitation is the unique ideological work policy created by our party. Artistic agitation, utilizing an energetic means called literature and arts, enhances the enthusiasm of the masses and directly calls them to the realization of the party's economic policy.

The objectives and mission of artistic agitation lie in driving home the teachings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the guidelines of the party among the masses in a timely manner through artistic form and calling them to the realization. Artistic agitation encourages and inspires party members and working people to bring about a new leap forward and innovation in socialist economic construction, assimilating the teachings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the guidelines of the party into their flesh and bone and protecting and carrying them through unconditionally to the end.

Artistic agitation makes it possible to bring about a great upsurge in all branches of the people's economy, energetically inspiring party members and working people to unlock the locked-in links as an immediate task in production and construction, putting priority efforts particularly into matters planned by the great leader and intended by the party.

The artistic agitation guidelines set forth by our party are thus revolutionary guidelines which make it possible to energetically step up socialist construction, maximally promoting the revolutionary fervor and creative positiveness of the producer masses.

Artistic agitation has great superiority in strengthen mass political work.

This lies above all in that artistic agitation utilizes the means of literature and arts as the basics.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Literature and arts are one of the most important means of indoctrinating the masses of people." ("A Collection of Writings of Kim Il-song," Vol 13, p 134)

Revolutionary literature and arts show profound thoughts and concrete human lives with realism through vivid artistic portrayals. Therefore, they more handily strike sympathetic chords among people and have a strong ideological impact on them.

Revolutionary songs or poems perform great functions in implanting revolutionary thoughts in the masses and inspiring them to struggle. In particular, revolutionary songs are explicit in thought and strong in appealing power, and because of this, the more people sing the songs, the more the songs make the strength of the singers surge, filled to overflowing with optimism. Thus, works of literature and arts in various forms such as songs and poems relate real life and dramatically stir people's ideological feelings, and because of this, the works make working people more energetically launch into the struggle for revolution and construction.

Artistic agitation, precisely because it utilizes the means of literature and arts, has great influencing power and becomes a powerful weapon of party ideological work which makes it possible for the agitation to prove its worth forthwith in economic construction, dramatically stirring people and inspiring them to carry through the economic policy of the party.

The superiority of artistic agitation also lies in that it makes it possible to launch agitation work with mobility without standing on ceremony and formality by simple means and in handy form.

Timeliness and mobility in agitation work are like life. In insuring timeliness and mobility, artistic agitation is different from other forms of artistic activity.

Artistic activity, generally speaking requires certain conditions and means, style and form such as place and time, stage and costumes, makeup and lighting.

But artistic agitation does not necessarily require all such requisite conditions and holds it as the basics to launch artistic activity, as is, to suit the given environment and given conditions. Mobile artistic agitation units, with production sites as their base, perform by the machines, by the fields, wearing ordinary clothes, short pieces of music and sketches in simple mass art form such as songs, witty talks, and interludes, using popular musical instruments such as harmonica, accordion, guitar, drum. Therefore, artistic agitation has mobility and militancy, and is becoming a powerful mass political work method, a mass mobilization means to responsively uphold and drive home the line and policies of the party among the masses in a timely manner and energetically inspire them to struggle for the realization.

Just because artistic agitation is a task to turn the policies of the party into art form and drive them home to the masses, if the people concerned take too long or drag their feet in making the necessary preparations, it will be impossible to insure mobility and timeliness. Should this come to pass, artistic agitation will be unable to acquit itself fully of its objectives and mission.

Artistic forms used in artistic agitation are popular forms of literature and arts very favorable and simple to carry the line and policies of the party. Such forms create favorable conditions for adapting the teachings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the guidelines of the party, as they are set forth anew, to artistic short pieces of music and sketches with timeliness.

Today the mobile artistic agitation units which are energetically launching artistic agitation at socialist construction sites or the artistic propaganda units and central organizations of arts are firmly insuring mobility by bringing such favorable conditions to life and militantly writing materials for artistic agitation. Thus they are encouraging and inspiring the speed battle to blaze up at socialist construction sites.

To precisely set targets and goals is an important condition guaranteeing the success of political work. Because it precisely sets beforehand the goal where firepower is to be focused and channels agitation offensives to it, economic agitation proves its worth forthwith. Targets and goals are clearly defined is precisely where another part of the superiority of artistic agitation is.

Artistic agitation is organized and conducted with a view to enhancing the revolutionary fervor and combat morale of working people. In particular, when questions arise which must be solved in carrying through the teachings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the guidelines of the party and in the production struggle of working people, or when the necessity arises for organizing an important battle to carry through the guidelines of the party, artistic agitation comes to be conducted lightning quick.

When artistic propaganda units or central organizations of arts conduct artistic agitation, not to mention the mobile artistic agitation units, they organize and conduct their activities for the relevant targets necessarily with definite objectives.

Because its targets and goals are thus always clear, artistic agitation concentrates agitation offensives on one bull's-eye, beating the drum, blowing the bugle, and shouting the slogan. Thus it makes the producer masses' hearts burn with loyalty to the party and the leader, and encourages and inspires them to display an infinite sacrificial spirit and creative positiveness and mass heroism in carrying through the policies of the party.

The artistic agitation guidelines set forth by our party are new guidelines into which has been carried forward and developed the brilliant tradition of revolutionary literary and arts activities personally established by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song during the glorious anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, to suit the realities of socialist, communist construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"During the anti-Japanese armed struggle we had written such works as song and dance and drama and frequently staged performances before the people; and this had performed great functions in awakening the people and inspiring them to the anti-Japanese national liberation struggle." ("On Socialist Literature and Arts," p 519)

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, with his keen insights into the militant functions and tremendous role literature and arts play in the revolutionary struggle already in the early days of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, had created a mass agitation work method through revolutionary literature and arts, and had widely applied it. The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, day in, day out of the fierce anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle had personally composed many revolutionary songs such as the "Anti-Japanese Battle Song" and written dramas such as the immortal classical masterpieces "Sea of Blood" and "The Fate of a Member of the Self-Defense Team," and guided with meticulous care the preparations for art performances and artistic activities of members of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

Under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song members of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army had taught the people everywhere the revolutionary songs, and positively launched literary and arts activities in the liberated areas, by the campfires, and even during breaks of their march. Thus members of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army had cheerfully struggled and lived, always filled to overflowing with militant vigor and revolutionary optimism, and implanted an unextinguishable kindling coal of struggle in every heart of the people.

Indeed, the literary and arts activities conducted under the sagacious leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song during the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle had taught members of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army and the people the truth of struggle and made them hold revolutionary enthusiasm, and had been a powerful weapon which had energetically inspired them to the showdown battle with the enemy.

Our party, carrying forward and developing this brilliant tradition of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas style literary and arts activities, set forth the artistic agitation guidelines and sagaciously led the task for the embodiment.

Our party first of all directed keen attention to thoroughly organizing the artistic agitation forces.

However admirable guidelines may be set forth, it is impossible to achieve success unless the task is commendably conducted to organize those who will be executing them and thoroughly prepare them politically, technically.

Our party took steps to assign mobile artistic agitation units to those units where actual production activities were under way and artistic propaganda units to the provinces and form an artistic agitation company in the center as the base of technical guidance and dissemination of materials, and thoroughly organize their ranks with ideologically, technically prepared functionaries, and graphically enunciated the direction and mode of their activities. At the same time, while directing keen attention to enhancing their political job performances qualifications our party took care of them to amply prepare material and technical conditions such as musical instruments. Thus today in our country have come to be organized solid forces capable of briskly launching artistic agitation everywhere from the center to production sites under the sagacious leadership of the party.

To conduct artistic agitation in a unified manner to suit the duty and task of party ideological work is an important requirement to insure uniformity in the propaganda of the economic policy of the party and energetically organize and mobilize party members and working people for the realization.

Only by conducting artistic agitation work with a unified content is it possible to drive home deeply the teachings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the guidelines of the party simultaneously on a nationwide basis, and inspire the entire people uniformly to the realization.

From this, our party put great efforts into firmly insuring uniformity of the content of artistic agitation. In our country by the sagacious leadership of the party, when but one song clarifying the policy of the party is sung, all party, all country, all people sing it in unison, and all working people dynamically move forward, breathing with but one beat.

Our party also directed keen attention to conventionalizing, popularizing the content of artistic agitation.

If artistic agitation is to strike chords among the broad masses, it must be conventionalized. Only then can it enjoy the love of the masses and highly inspire their revolutionary fervor and creative positiveness.

Our party had measures taken to make artistic agitation conducted through and through with popular works which have mass character and which the masses could easily embrace. Our party set it forth as important criteria for determining the ideartistic value and cognizing and indoctrinating significance of each and every new work to correctly reflect the majestic reality of struggle in loyal response to the line and policies of the party and the feeling and liking of

the working masses and to search and adopt new forms palatable to them and express them in an easy-to-understand manner.

In addition, by taking care that nationwide workshop and training, experience exchange meeting and contest be held on a routine basis for the artistic agitation functionaries, our party is leading the leady in more briskly launching artistic agitation work.

With our party thus sagaciously leading the way, artistic agitation is displaying its might and tremendous vitality to the hilt in the practical struggle of socialist economic construction.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"Party organizations, by briskly launching party economic policy propaganda and economic agitation, have energetically inspired party members and working people to realize the party economic policy, and positively served to insure the victory of the great socialist construction battle." (Book "Summing-Up Report on the Work of the Central Committee to the Sixth Congress of the Korean Workers Party," p 108)

The tremendous vitality of the artistic agitation guidelines created by our party is being clearly manifested above all in that it is highly inspiring the revolutionary fervor and creative positiveness of party members and working people, setting their ideological consciousness in motion.

As artistic agitation is briskly launched under the sagacious leadership of our party, all party members and working people, deeply learning by experience in a timely manner the intrinsic nature and correctness of the teachings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and the guidelines of the party set forth in each period, are devotedly struggling to carry them through to the end. The short pieces of literature and arts energetically performed by mobile artistic agitation units and artistic propaganda units with production sites as the base, the sound of popular musical instruments, the call of slogan to innovation are making all the producers' hearts burn with infinite loyalty to the great leader and the party and are positively inspiring them to fresh feat. By the powerful intensive offensives of artistic agitation passivity, conservatism, and mysticism which used to remain in people's heads have been thoroughly overcome and the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and fortitude is dynamically prevailing and all fronts of socialist construction are filled to overflowing with militant vigor and revolutionary optimism.

The artistic agitation guidelines created by our party are displaying their tremendous vitality in energetically stepping up production and construction, in particular.

While commanding the "70-day battle" of 1974 at the Sungni Automotive Complex and Kumsong Tractor Works, our party created a brilliant model of positively launching artistic agitation and led the way in widely generalizing it in all branches of the people's economy. With the party thus energetically exercising guidance, we were able to highly promote the creative positiveness of working people and perform the miracle of making industrial production grow as much as 1.7 fold

compared with the same period of the preceding year and win the brilliant victory of fulfilling the grand Six-Year Plan 1 year and 4 months ahead of schedule in terms of total volume of industrial production, firmly maintaining an uninterrupted high rate of speed of economic development. Under the sagacious leadership of the party, in the period of "100-day battle" of last year too, we energetically launched artistic agitation and positively contributed to achieving a new leap forward in production and construction. Indeed, the sagacious leadership of our party has been the source of invincible strength which has made it possible to win prideful victory in socialist economic construction and the decisive factor which has made it possible to prove to the hilt the tremendous vitality of the artistic agitation guidelines.

The might and vitality of the artistic agitation guidelines set forth by our party are also being eloquently proved in that mass artistic activities are being briskly launched everywhere our people live and work, such as cities, rural villages, and fishing villages.

All members participating in mobile artistic agitation units are neither career writers nor career artists. They are all producers and innovators directly participating in production. The members of artistic agitation units are people who, joining mass art groups and improving their artistic skills through the process of playing musical instruments or writing short pieces, have further honed their individual talents. Through artistic agitation work they have improved their artistic skills one notch higher and in consequence, enjoy the warm love of the broad masses.

The activities of artistic agitation units are rendering a great service in further improving and strengthening the work of literature and arts groups and developing mass arts in which the broad masses participate and enjoy performing. The new songs sung by artistic agitation units are being disseminated forthwith among the broad masses, and the brilliant achievements scored in literature and arts under the guidance of the party are being turned into the genuine stuff people enjoy. This shows that the artistic agitation units are positively contributing to brilliantly realizing the farsighted plan of the party intent on enabling one and all to learn to write, sing, play musical instruments, and dance and on making the sound of song, the sound of musical instruments ring out not only from jobsites but from homes as well.

Today we are faced with the glorious and rewarding task to fulfill the Second Seven-Year Plan ahead of schedule, bringing about a fresh productive upsurge in all branches of the people's economy, and successfully occupy the 10 major prospective targets of socialist economic construction.

The 10 major prospective targets of socialist economic construction in the 1980's set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song are a grand blueprint for laying the sound material and technical foundations consistent with the completely victorious socialist society and an awesome economic construction program which it is possible to attain only if an extraordinarily high rate of speed is sustained in production and construction with the maximal mobilization and utilization of our strength and technology and our country's resources. In order to carry out this enormous task, it is imperative to strengthen political work to highly promote the revolutionary fervor of party members and working people and economic agitation

to bring about a great upsurge in production and construction. Only by energetically launching agitation work to suit the demands of the developing realities is it possible to break through with our own strength the barriers and bottlenecks encountered, highly promoting the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and fortitude, and go forward to bring about a ceaseless leap forward and innovation in socialist economic construction, maximally seeking out and mobilizing the inner reserves of the people's economy.

We must put great efforts into further strengthening economic agitation, especially artistic agitation whose might and vitality have been displayed to the hilt through the practice of socialist construction. In this manner we must brilliantly carry out the economic task currently facing us and positively contribute to occupying the grand prospective targets of socialist economic construction ahead of schedule.

All party organizations, by further improving and strengthening artistic agitation work which is a powerful weapon of party ideological work and an energetic means of mass mobilization, shall thoroughly defend the priceless achievements scored by our party and positively inspire party members and working people to the attainment of the historic cause for conversion of the whole society to the chuche ideology.

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TO SOLVE THE FOOD QUESTION IS AN URGENT DEMAND FOR THE INDEPENDENT DEVELOPMENT
OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

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[Article by U Myong-su]

[Text] To correctly solve the food question is a very important question confronting every country today.

The food question is one of the basic questions directly bearing on human survival. Food is an indispensable element man cannot do without for survival. Only if food is plentiful is it possible to stabilize people's life and, inspiring people's fervor, go forward to satisfactorily solve all the other questions arising in achieving economic construction and social progress and consolidate national political independence as well.

If one comes to depend on others, failing to produce and secure on one's own the food needed for one's country, one could create social chaos, and destabilizing political independence, would be unable to realize complete equality in one's international relations.

Now, many countries of the world are currently facing a serious food crisis, unable to satisfactorily solve their food question, and this is bringing great misfortunes and sufferings to human life. Many regions of the world are turning into zones of starvation and in many countries, the number of people dying of starvation, the number of people suffering from hunger and malnutrition is growing daily. In particular, the food question is becoming a burning issue in the developing countries.

In spite of efforts made to solve the food question, the agricultural question, food production in the developing countries is not growing at a deserved rate but rather, the per capita food production in these countries is declining. Thus in many of the developing countries food is far too short and they have no alternative but to buy enormous quantities of grain from outside sources. At present, one-third of the population of the developing world or 1 billion is suffering from hunger and malnutrition, the caloric intake being below the minimum for survival. If the present trends continue, the food question in the developing countries will become even more critical by the end of the century.

Taking advantage of the worsening world food situation, the imperialists are viciously perpetrating machinations of aggression, plunder, and intervention against the developing countries, and on account of this, not only are they experiencing serious socioeconomic difficulties but their political independence is being greatly threatened.

In the present period the food question in the developing countries is not a simple economic problem but a very serious problem directly linked to the political question.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"The food question, the agricultural question, is one of the very important and urgent questions which the nonaligned nations and the developing countries must necessarily solve in building a new society." [No bibliographic reference given]

The developing countries, which constitute an overwhelming majority of the world, are charting the road to building a new society today, tightly grasping their destinies in their own hands. One of the important questions which these countries must necessarily solve in building a new independent world, a new society, is precisely achieving self-reliance in agriculture and satisfactorily filling the needs for food on their own.

What makes it an urgent demand of the developing countries to solve the food question, the agricultural question, above all has directly to do with their sociohistorical environment.

Most of the developing countries in Asia, Africa, and Latin America had been under the domination and enslavement of the imperialists, colonialists in bygone days, and had inherited the most deformed, backward rural economy. The imperialists, colonialists, utterly restraining a many-sided agricultural development of Asian, African, and Latin American countries, had forced upon these countries a single-crop economy of exclusively producing one of luxury and industrial crops and other raw materials, not the staple food, and tied the land and the means of agricultural production to it. In consequence, it had been impossible in bygone days for the agriculture of the countries in these regions to avoid deformity and one-sidedness, and the rural economy had walked the road of uninterrupted ruination. In most of the countries in Asia, Africa, and Latin America the cultivation of crops needed in solving the food question had been considered of almost secondary importance, and the agriculture of these countries had been backward technically and its material foundations weak, and in no position to introduce the advances of modern science and technology either.

On account of the aftereffects of the venomous colonial rule of the imperialists, the developing countries in Asia, Africa, and Latin America had had no resources capable of resolving on their own the food essential to people's life. Even after achieving independence the developing countries are being extremely restrained in agricultural development on account of the material and technical backwardness of the rural economy, a single-crop economy, and of the absence of agricultural technical personnel and irrational agricultural structure, all stemming from the export-oriented colonial rule. At present, the developing countries accounting for 80 percent of the world agrarian population are barely able to produce one-third

of world food. Such circumstances make it inevitable that the developing countries hand over their luxury and industrial crops to the imperialists at cheap prices the same as before and buy food from them at high prices. Deformed and backward agriculture, in the final analysis, is bringing the result of not only forcing these countries to continue to remain as raw materials supply sources for the imperialists but also of enabling the imperialists to put themselves in a privileged position. The deformity and backwardness of agriculture stemming from the plunderous agricultural policy of the imperialists are becoming the major factor in causing a serious food crisis in the developing countries and obstructing the independent development of these countries.

Such historical environment of the developing countries urgently calls on them to direct priority attention to the food and agricultural questions in the struggle to build a new society.

What makes it an urgent matter for the developing countries to solve the food question also has to do with the fact that with the dramatic fall in agricultural production caused by the cold front the food situation continues to worsen.

The cold front greatly affecting all regions of the earth is causing drastic climatic changes and unusual meteorological phenomena. In recent years unprecedentedly severe droughts and floods, unseasonal heat and cold waves have been sweeping many regions of the earth. Such unusual meteorological phenomena are inflicting great damage on many countries of the world and in particular, cataclysmic influence on agricultural production.

On account of the effects of the cold front, grain production is falling rapidly in the rich grain districts of yesteryear and it is becoming a common phenomenon that agriculture itself is being messed up. The effects of the cold front are dealing big blows especially to the developing countries where the introduction of irrigation to the rural economy has not yet been completed and the standard of technical provisions for agriculture is still low, as a result of the aftereffects of the imperialist colonial rule in bygone days. Thus many of the developing countries are not yet able to completely fulfill their food production plans, showing the trends of a continued decline in per capita production. This is causing shortfalls in grain and other foodstuffs in the developing countries. In no small number of the developing countries many people, unable to lead a stable life on account of food shortages, are suffering from hunger and malnutrition. The effects of the worsening food situation, extending beyond this, are causing enormous difficulties in the economic development of these countries with serious aftereffects on their social life as a whole.

To solve the food and agricultural questions constitutes an important demand for making it possible to overcome the aftereffects being brought on by the cold front, stabilize the people's life, and insure the overall economic development.

That in the present period the developing countries should solve the food question constitutes an important guarantee for them to oppose the aggression and plunder policy of the imperialists and firmly defend their national sovereignty.

At present, as the food situation worsens worldwide, the aggression and plunder machinations of the imperialists are being perpetrated more viciously than at

any time. The scoundrels, bringing pressure to bear on the developing countries with food as a weapon, are restraining the independent development of these countries.

The imperialists, continuing to force the prices of the agricultural produce and primary products such as raw materials exported by the developing countries to fall on the world market, on the one hand, and raising to a ridiculously high level the prices of the food and industrial products they themselves export, are making the circumstances of the developing countries difficult and are turning the food crisis of these countries even more acute. The imperialists, even as they are exacting enormous profits by the method of non-parity exchange, are building tariff and non-tariff walls high with a view to protecting their own capital against their competitors and further intensifying their exploitation and plunder of the developing countries.

The instability of export income caused by the worsening tradition conditions enforced by the imperialists and food import in enormous quantities for resolving the mounting food shortages are forcing the developing countries to suffer from chronic trading deficits. Thus by now the developing countries find themselves in the difficult position that they do not have the funds they need immediately to esolve the food shortages.

As long as such policy of the imperialists continues, the developing countries cannot defend their national resources nor can they independently develop their economy.

Moreover, the imperialists, taking advantage of the current food crisis as a golden opportunity, are plotting to render the political independence of the developing countries nominal and put these countries under their domination system.

The U.S. imperialists have brazenly raved as soon as the worldwide food crisis began to be acute that inasmuch as "the decision of food consumer countries as to what to do depends on the action of food producer countries," the food crisis "creates favorable conditions for making other countries of the world go along with the intention of the United States." This bespeaks that the objectives of the U.S. imperialist food policy lie in exercising their influence at will to make the food-short countries submit, by using food as a weapon and attaching various politicoeconomic strings or bringing pressure to bear on them.

The U.S. imperialists, with a view to realizing their "food strategy," are using two stratagems--blatant pressure, and appeasement and deception. Put another way, the U.S. imperialists, requiring the developing countries taking their surplus food to follow them meekly, use pressure, and appeasement and deception alternately, depending on the circumstances and targets, by using "generosity" such as food "aid" or bringing pressure to bear by cancelling the "aid." Such political pressure and retaliatory act of the U.S. imperialists are growing blatant daily to the extent of openly interfering in the internal affairs of the developing countries. Thus the developing countries which have yet to achieve self-sufficiency in food, particularly those countries depending on the food "aid" of the U.S. imperialists, have their national independence and sovereignty greatly threatened.

All facts clearly show that unless they correctly solve their food and agricultural questions, the developing countries cannot stabilize their people's life and insure their national economic self-reliance, nor can they achieve independent development, ultimately.

The developing countries, only by satisfactorily solving the food and agricultural questions on their own, can eliminate the impoverishment and hunger, enslavement and inequities brought on by the imperialists and realize the wishes of the people to live independently, insure their say in international relations and realize the principle of independent stand and attitude, and equality.

Thus, to solve the food question is an urgent matter which must of necessity be resolved in building a new society by the developing countries which have achieved political independence and embarked on the road of independent development.

The developing countries which have embarked on the road of writing a new chapter of history under the anti-imperialist sovereignty banner have ample possibilities and prospects for solving the food and agricultural questions on their own.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"The basic method for the nonaligned nations and developing countries to satisfactorily solve the food question is to develop their own agriculture and achieve self-sufficiency in food." [No bibliographic reference given]

To say that the developing countries solve the food question, breaking through the current food crisis, means that they satisfy the needs for food on their own, decisively increasing food and agricultural production.

Of course, to achieve self-sufficiency in food is not an easy, simple question. This is not to say by any means that it is a question that cannot be resolved. If the developing countries go forward to formulate positive measures with a firm determination to achieve national prosperity with the creative labor of their own people, they are quite capable of successfully solving the food and agricultural questions.

At present, a number of the developing countries, by putting it up front as an important task for building a new society to develop food and agriculture and putting great efforts into it, are scoring no small achievements in resolving the food shortages on their own and expediting agricultural production.

Most important to the developing countries in eliminating the food crisis and achieving self-sufficiency in food is for each country to quickly increase its own agricultural production, maximally mobilizing and utilizing all productive potentialities and possibilities in the spirit of self-reliance, severally and collectively.

For agriculture, land is the basic means of production, and the process of its production itself is a process of autogenetic reproduction of agricultural crops which are organisms. Therefore, in order to increase agricultural production, it is imperative to more effectively utilize land, correctly grasp the biological nature of agricultural crops and satisfy its demands.

The greatest potential for increasing agricultural production in the developing countries is in formulating correct measures to maximally tap and utilize the resources of land and water and developing research in agricultural science such as the raising of high-yield seeds and the introduction of scientific methods of cultivating agricultural crops. If each country were to create and introduce scientific farming methods consistent with the meteorological, climatic conditions and soil conditions of its country and the biological characteristics of crops, it would be able to reap bumper harvests without investing large capital in agriculture.

To improve farm implements and realize mechanization of the rural economy constitutes an important guarantee for ceaselessly increasing agricultural production, by far enhancing labor productivity even as doing work handily. It is important for the developing countries to positively push mechanization of the rural economy forward on the principle of gradually adopting modern farm implements beginning with improvement of simple farm implements and mechanizing difficult and labor-consuming work first.

The developing countries, when they put great efforts into agriculture, can go forward to satisfactorily solve the question of food for their people, successfully overcoming any natural condition, however unfavorable, and increasing food production.

To strengthen economic and technical cooperation and exchanges between the developing countries on the principle of collective self-reliance constitutes an important method to solve the food and agricultural questions of these countries.

Among the developing countries there are those countries which have gained good experiences and developed technologies in the agricultural area and others which have abundant resources and funds, and again, there are those countries which have natural geographic conditions particularly favorable to agricultural production. Suppose some 100 developing countries contributed one technology each, it would be possible to absorb 100 different technologies.

If the developing countries were to go forward to satisfy each other's needs on the principle of collective self-reliance and strengthen cooperation on the basis of solidarity and mutual aid, it would be possible to successfully solve questions pending in these countries and further expedite agricultural development.

The outdated international food order being enforced by the imperialists is exerting grave aftereffects on the food and agricultural production of the developing countries. It is essential for the developing countries to establish a new international food order based on thorough fairness and justness, resolutely denouncing the unjust maneuvering of the imperialists to continue to maintain the outdated food order.

At the same time, it is imperative to strongly oppose the machinations of the imperialists to use food as a means of bringing their politicoeconomic pressures to bear on the developing countries, and thoroughly block and frustrate their attempts to tie up the developing countries with their food "aid."

The task to increase food and agricultural production is a difficult nature remaking task, a complex technology improving task, and a rewarding task for people's happiness and national prosperity. For self-sufficiency in food, it is important that nation-states should positively organize and mobilize in this task the masses of people who are the masters of the building of a new society and in charge of it.

Practical experience in our country proves this positively.

Our party and the government of the republic, putting it up front as an important priority task to solve the agricultural question from the first day they embarked on building a new society, took positive measures to put statewide efforts into it.

Our party has energetically stepped up the technological improvement of the rural economy, based on having established an advanced rural economic system, and quickly developed agricultural production, widely applying advanced farming methods.

In particular, with the comprehensive embodiment of the chuche farming method, the most advanced and scientific farming method personally founded by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to suit the specific conditions of our country, agriculture has become highly intensified and agricultural production has ceaselessly increased, turning ours into a country self-sufficient in food from a country short of food. Our experience shows that if each country were to formulate a policy to suit its socio-economic development and mobilize the strength and wisdom of the masses of people, the developing countries would be quite capable of achieving self-sufficiency in food and admirably solving the agrarian question.

In recent years, a number of the developing countries, by implementing socioeconomic reforms aimed at developing agriculture, on the one hand, and by working out statewide measures such as scientific and technological measures to tap the resources of land and water, diversify agriculture, and increase per unit yield, have been scoring great successes in food and agricultural production.

Such priceless achievements and experiences scored by each country must be applied and generalized to suit the concrete conditions and specific situations of all developing countries.

The symposia held by the nonaligned nations and other developing countries in Pyongyang last August on increasing food and agricultural production were precisely conferences of important significance in jointly seeking the method to solve the food question, agricultural question urgently arising in the present period and implement the solution. When the tasks enunciated in the Pyongyang declaration adopted by the unanimous agreement of the participating countries in the symposia for increasing food and agricultural production are thoroughly realized, there will be brought about an epochal turnaround in the struggle to achieve several and collective self-sufficiency in food.

The developing countries, by developing agricultural production and solving the food question, shall remove the aftereffects of the imperialist colonial rule and consolidate national independence, and go forward to achieve independent national development.

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